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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A century ago, the devoted alumni of Texas A&M  
2 University had begun to gather each year on San Jacinto Day to  
3 salute Texas independence, and in 1922 this annual event was  
4 enshrined as the official tradition of Aggie Muster, a day on which  
5 all alumni and students would gather to reminisce about their days  
6 at their beloved alma mater and to pay special tribute to those  
7 among them who had died in the previous year; and

8           WHEREAS, This tradition gained worldwide recognition in  
9 1942, during World War II; led by General George Moore of the class  
10 of 1908, 25 Aggie servicemen risked their lives during the Japanese  
11 siege of Corregidor to participate in Aggie Muster, a remarkable  
12 display of their shared beliefs and values; since that time, Aggie  
13 Muster has continued to grow in popularity and in significance, and  
14 today there are observances held in more than 400 locations around  
15 the world; and

16           WHEREAS, Aggie Muster is a poignant and heartfelt remembrance  
17 of those Aggies who have passed away in the previous year, and the  
18 legislature is pleased to salute the students, alumni, and  
19 representatives of Texas A&M University who, through their  
20 participation, exemplify the Lone Star State's spirit of  
21 friendship, courage, and compassion; now, therefore, be it

22           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
23 Legislature, in accordance with the house rules of procedure and  
24 policies of the House Administration Committee, hereby grant

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1 permission to Texas Aggie Muster to use the chamber of the house in  
2 the State Capitol on April 21, 2003, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., unless  
3 the Texas House of Representatives is in session at that time.