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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The city of Hebbronville was established in 1883 2 when the Texas-Mexican Railway came to the area; and

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WHEREAS, In 1887, the Colegio Altamirano was created in the community; Rosendo Barrera was the first instructor, and the school was funded by prominent Mexican American families who wanted their children to learn Spanish and Mexican culture and traditions; and

WHEREAS, In 1895, the first post office was established, creating a more convenient means of communication for residents; and

WHEREAS, The city of Hebbronville became part of the newly established Jim Hogg County in 1913 by the unanimous vote of 176 citizens; in 1915, Hebbronville had an estimated population of 400 residents, as well as a bank, eight grocery stores, a drugstore, and 13 cattle breeders; and

WHEREAS, In the 1920s, a school district, newspaper, and a Franciscan seminary were established in the city of Hebbronville, which by then had an estimated population of 1,800; and

WHEREAS, The Hebbronville Chamber of Commerce was organized in 1958, and the Colegio Altamirano closed; two years later the Hebbronville Auction and Commission Company was organized to handle the large number of cattle raised and sold in the area; and

WHEREAS, At the beginning of the 21st century, the city of Hebbronville remains a small, predominantly Mexican American community, with an estimated population of 4,608 and 54 businesses;

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- 1 now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby honor the city of Hebbronville for its
- 4 contributions to the great State of Texas and extend to its
- 5 residents sincere best wishes for success in all their endeavors.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1923 was adopted by the House on June 2, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House