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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Port Isabel, Texas, is a city steeped in history;  
2 named for Queen Isabella of Spain and rumored to have been one of  
3 the haunts of the pirate Jean Lafitte, Port Isabel was also a supply  
4 base for General Zachary Taylor's army during the Mexican War, as  
5 well as an embarkation point for eastern gold-seekers on their way  
6 to California; and

7           WHEREAS, Port Isabel is located on the Laguna Madre in  
8 southeastern Cameron County, and its prosperity has always been  
9 linked to its seaside location; a major shrimping center, the area  
10 is ideal for commercial and sport fishing, and the city's port  
11 processes hundreds of tons of cargo each year; and

12           WHEREAS, Among the town's many points of interest are the  
13 historic Port Isabel Lighthouse, the cruise ship *Le Mistral*, the  
14 restored shrimp boat *Lady Bea*, and the nearby Laguna Atascosa  
15 National Wildlife Refuge; recreational activities include fishing,  
16 boating, and hunting; and

17           WHEREAS, Blessed with a rich history and dynamic citizenry,  
18 Port Isabel is a city whose populace can take considerable pride in  
19 its past while looking forward to the future, and this unique  
20 community is deserving of special legislative recognition at this  
21 time; now, therefore, be it

22           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
23 Legislature hereby honor the accomplishments of the citizens, past  
24 and present, of Port Isabel and extend to the city's current

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1 residents sincere best wishes for future prosperity.