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H.C.R. No. 55

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, Texas is known throughout the nation for the  
2 excellence and variety of its agricultural bounty, and among the  
3 most distinctive and appealing of the crops grown here is the  
4 versatile herb known as lavender; and

5           WHEREAS, Lavender's fragrance is perhaps the best-known  
6 aspect of its appeal, but the herb has also been used by many for  
7 decorating, cooking, and medicinal purposes, and lavender oil is  
8 even thought to have played a role in the development of the first  
9 photographic image; and

10           WHEREAS, Likened by some to the terrain in France where  
11 lavender has long been grown, the ruggedly beautiful Hill Country  
12 around Blanco has, in recent years, become home to a number of  
13 lavender farms, including Hill Country Lavender, Lavender Hill,  
14 Provence Hill Farms, and Becker Vineyards; and

15           WHEREAS, The decision by these inspired entrepreneurs to grow  
16 lavender in the very heart of the Lone Star State has produced  
17 outstanding results, and tourists now flock to the Hill Country  
18 Lavender Trail to pick bouquets of the herb and sample a surprising  
19 and delightful selection of lavender-infused products; and

20           WHEREAS, This happy confluence of agriculture, aesthetics,  
21 and enterprise has for good reason become closely associated with  
22 the city of Blanco and the surrounding area, and it is indeed  
23 fitting to bestow legislative recognition on this singular success  
24 story; now, therefore, be it

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1           RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas  
2 hereby officially designate Blanco the Lavender Capital of Texas.