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H.C.R. No. 187

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 has, in recent years, become home to a number of lavender farms,
13 including those in Blanco, Gillespie, Hays, Kerr, Llano, Mason,
14 Kendall, Bandera, and Burnet Counties; and

15 WHEREAS, The decision by local entrepreneurs to grow lavender
16 in the very heart of the Lone Star State has produced outstanding
17 results, and tourists now flock to the Hill Country Lavender Trail
18 to pick bouquets of the herb and sample a surprising and delightful
19 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 Hill Country, and it is indeed fitting to bestow legislative
23 recognition on this singular success story; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas

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1 hereby designate the Hill Country as the Official Lavender Growing
2 Region of Texas.