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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, For 100 years, H-E-B has been a leader in the Texas 2 retail industry, providing a vital service to the citizens of the 3 Lone Star State, and the occasion of its centennial offers a fitting 4 opportunity to pay tribute to this Texas institution; and

5 WHEREAS, The story of H-E-B began in 1905 in Kerrville, where 6 the company was founded as a family grocery by Florence Butt; since 7 then, it has been built into one of the world's most successful 8 retailers by her son, Howard E. Butt, and his son, Charles Butt; and 9 WHEREAS, Now beginning its second century, H-E-B continues to 10 be an innovative retailer; it employs more than 56,000 people and is

WHEREAS, H-E-B has long practiced the idea that a grocer's role in a community goes well beyond supplying food, and in this spirit the company contributes five percent of its pretax earnings to public and charitable programs; and

a model for ethics in business and corporate citizenship; and

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16 WHEREAS, H-E-B is a vital partner to the more than 150 Texas 17 communities it serves, contributing significant resources in the 18 areas of hunger relief and prevention, education, diversity, health 19 and wellness, the environment, and the arts; indeed, the company's 20 commitment to food banks is unparalleled, and its ongoing efforts 21 to battle hunger and support hunger relief programs contribute 22 significantly to the well-being of countless Texans; and

WHEREAS, Adopting environmental conservation and efficiency
is part of every aspect of H-E-B's business, from its trucking

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fleets to its corporate headquarters at the historic Arsenal in San Antonio; in recognition of these efforts, H-E-B became the first retail company honored with the Texas Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence in 1997; and

5 WHEREAS, A retailer that promotes Texas produce and products, 6 H-E-B is an important part of the Texas economy, and its century of 7 service is a proud achievement worthy of special recognition; now, 8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas 10 Legislature hereby designate March 10, 2005, as H-E-B Celebration 11 100 Day in Texas and extend best wishes to the many individuals who 12 have contributed to the longstanding success of this fine company; 13 and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 15 prepared for H-E-B as an expression of high regard by the Texas 16 House of Representatives.

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I certify that H.R. No. 657 was adopted by the House on March 10, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House