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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, On March 23, 2005, citizens, officials, 2 businesspeople, and other friendly visitors from the great city of 3 Waco have come to their Capitol in Austin to share the great news of their city's many virtues; and 4 5 WHEREAS, Located on the Brazos River in the heart of Texas, 6 Waco is the seat of McLennan County and the renowned home of Baylor University, chartered in 1845 by the Republic of Texas; as well as 7 other top notch institutions of higher education, such as Texas 8

State Technical College, and McLennan Community College; and

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WHEREAS, Among its numerous other distinctions, Waco is the birthplace of Dr. Pepper; the site of the first single-span suspension bridge west of the Mississippi, which served as the prototype to the Brooklyn Bridge; Lake Waco, the largest municipal lake in the state; the Texas Rangers Hall of Fame and Museum; the Texas Sports Hall of Fame; the Mayborn Museum; the historic Hippodrome Theater, and many other attractions which highlight Waco's central location, natural beauty, and diverse charms; and

WHEREAS, Besides the many attractions which draw people to Waco, this area proudly stands as the birthplace of Olympians, war heroes, famous entertainers, literary figures, world-class economists, and more Texas governors than any other city in Texas; and

WHEREAS, The many fine qualities of Waco have, through the years, attracted the kind of people who strongly desire to improve

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- 1 the community; and
- WHEREAS, The commitment to business growth, education,
- 3 economic development, and community strength in Waco by its
- 4 citizens makes the region not only the absolute Heart of Texas, but
- 5 an increasingly popular choice to live, work, visit, play, shop, or
- 6 build; now therefore be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the Texas House of Representatives hereby
- 8 express its gratitude for these visitors, who serve as excellent
- 9 ambassadors for the city of Waco; and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That Wednesday, March 23, 2005, be declared Waco
- 11 Day at the State Capitol in Austin; and, be it further
- 12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 13 prepared for the City of Waco and the Greater Waco Chamber of
- 14 Commerce as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of
- 15 Representatives.