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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Residents of Lindale are celebrating the centennial 1 2 of the city's official founding, and this special occasion provides 3 an opportune time to reflect on the history of this vibrant East

Texas town; and 4

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WHEREAS, Located in northwestern Smith County, the area was first organized in 1871 by Richard B. Hubbard, who would later go on to serve Texas as governor; by 1873, a post office and mercantile store had been established in the community, and two years later, the International & Great Northern Railroad Company built lines through the town, which flourished with this increased activity; and

WHEREAS, On January 4, 1905, Lindale was officially incorporated with more than 500 residents; under the leadership of the town's first mayor, John S. Ogburn, Lindale became a center for canning fruits and vegetables, and it became particularly well-known for its excellent berries; and

WHEREAS, The Lindale school district has been a significant source of pride for the community for many years, and today it stands as a successful testament to the city's commitment to its youth; in the past few years, Lindale High School has won numerous awards in academic, athletic, and artistic interscholastic competitions; this highly respected district employs quality teachers and currently educates more than 3,200 students; and

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WHEREAS, With its thriving sense of community, attractive 24

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- 1 opportunities, and outstanding schools, Lindale continues to be a
- 2 treasured asset of the Lone Star State, and it is a pleasure to pay
- 3 tribute to this unique town and its forward-looking citizenry; now,
- 4 therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby congratulate the residents of Lindale on the
- 7 occasion of the city's centennial celebration and extend to them
- 8 sincere best wishes for a memorable observance.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1756 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House