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## RESOLUTION

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

4 Texas town; and

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

24 WHEREAS, With its thriving sense of community, attractive

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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.