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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Young people derive many benefits from attending  
2 summer camp, where they may learn the virtues of leadership,  
3 self-reliance, cooperation with others, and a love of the outdoors;  
4 these are among the values fostered at Camp Longhorn, a  
5 coeducational residential summer camp in the Hill Country 60 miles  
6 northwest of Austin; and

7           WHEREAS, First established on Inks Lake along the Colorado  
8 River in 1939, Camp Longhorn was founded by Tex and Pat Robertson; a  
9 second location was established at Indian Springs in 1975, and  
10 today both camps offer a wide range of enjoyable and  
11 character-building activities for children from the ages of eight  
12 to 16; and

13           WHEREAS, Operating under the motto that "Everyone is somebody  
14 at Camp Longhorn," the camps inspire self-esteem and cooperation in  
15 children through such wholesome activities as archery, rock  
16 climbing, sailing, swimming, and windsurfing, as well as through  
17 participation in such team sports as baseball, basketball,  
18 volleyball, and football; and

19           WHEREAS, The camp's Longhorn Rangers program offers  
20 10th-grade boys leadership training through adventure travel in  
21 Colorado and New Mexico; the annual Spring Break program for high  
22 school age boys and girls features a weeklong excursion to such  
23 destinations as Big Bend and the Davis Mountains; and

24           WHEREAS, Since 1939, over 75,000 campers have gained valuable

1 life lessons and formed new friendships at Camp Longhorn through  
2 group activities and individual achievement; in a supportive, fun  
3 environment, they have learned both self-reliance and cooperation,  
4 embodying the camp's principle of "Attawaytogo"; now, therefore, be  
5 it

6         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
7 Legislature hereby commend Camp Longhorn for its contribution to  
8 the mental and physical well-being of the children of Texas and  
9 extend to the camp's owners and staff best wishes for continued  
10 success; and, be it further

11         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
12 prepared for Camp Longhorn as an expression of high regard by the  
13 Texas House of Representatives.