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1 CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Lewisville Lake is a 30,000-acre public freshwater
3 reservoir located within the Dallas-Fort Worth metropolitan area;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Lewisville Lake draws more than two and one-half
6 million visitors each year for recreational activities, such as
7 camping, picnicking, boating, swimming, and fishing; and

8 WHEREAS, Sportfishing is one of the most popular recreational
9 activities in Texas, and Lewisville Lake is rated as "excellent" by
10 the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for catfish, crappie, and
11 white bass fishing and as "good" for largemouth bass and
12 striped-hybrid bass fishing; and

13 WHEREAS, In addition to tens of thousands of recreational
14 anglers, more than two dozen fishing tournaments are held on
15 Lewisville Lake each year, drawing hundreds of competitive and
16 professional anglers; and

17 WHEREAS, In June of 2005, the Bassmaster Tour held an Elite 50
18 tournament at Lewisville Lake, the first Elite 50 tournament ever
19 held in Texas; the four-day event drew the top 50 professional bass
20 anglers in the world, attracted nearly 20,000 spectators, and
21 generated national television coverage; and

22 WHEREAS, The winner of the tournament netted an 11.81-pound
23 largemouth bass, the largest on the Bassmaster Elite 50 Tour; the
24 winner set a lake record that was bettered three more times that

1 calendar year; and

2 WHEREAS, In October of 2005, the Bassmaster Tour returned to
3 Lewisville Lake to hold its first Women's Bassmaster Tour event and
4 returned again in May of 2006 to hold another Women's Bassmaster
5 Tour tournament; and

6 WHEREAS, Also in October of 2005, Lewisville Lake was the
7 site for the inaugural BoatUS National Collegiate Bass-Fishing
8 Championship, produced and televised nationally by FOX College
9 Sports, and the lake has now been named the site for the 2007
10 championship event; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas
12 hereby designate Lewisville Lake as the Urban Bass Fishing Capital
13 of Texas; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be prepared in honor
15 of the Urban Bass Fishing Capital of Texas.