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H.B. No. 4694

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the designation of May 9 as Willie Velasquez Day.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 662, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 662.054 to read as follows:

Sec. 662.054. WILLIE VELASQUEZ DAY. (a) The 9th day of May is Willie Velasquez Day in observance of the birthday of William "Willie" Cardenas Velasquez, and in honor of his timeless and invaluable contribution to the civil rights, suffrage, and effective political participation of Mexican Americans in this country, and to the promotion of the principles of representative democracy for all people.

(b) Willie Velasquez Day shall be regularly observed by appropriate ceremonies in the public schools and other places to commemorate the birthday of William "Willie" Cardenas Velasquez.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.