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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Aggies and Longhorns will unite today at the State

Capitol to celebrate Orange and Maroon Legislative Day 2009 and to

3 promote higher education in the state of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Alumni from the two schools total over 700,000, and

5 Texas A&M University and The University of Texas at Austin have a

6 combined annual enrollment of more than 95,000 students, with over

7 22,000 students receiving degrees each year; the schools boast

8 superb museums and libraries, including the George Bush

9 Presidential Library and the Lyndon Baines Johnson Library and

10 Museum, and both universities are renowned for their exceptional

11 research; and

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12 WHEREAS, Texas A&M University and The University of Texas at

13 Austin help prepare Texas youth for higher education through the

14 universities' six outreach centers located throughout the state,

15 and more than 90 percent of the centers' participants have

16 successfully pursued higher education; and

17 WHEREAS, The universities' faculties feature Nobel laureates

18 and nationally recognized scholars, and the student bodies include

19 national merit scholars, Olympic gold medalists, and many of the

20 Lone Star State's most promising young people; in addition, the

21 schools offer an amazing range of postgraduate opportunities with

22 nearly 300 graduate degree programs; and

23 WHEREAS, Texas A&M University and The University of Texas at

24 Austin have established themselves as preeminent institutions of

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- 1 higher education on the state, national, and international levels,
- 2 and Texans are fortunate to have access to these two exceptional
- 3 state university systems; now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby recognize March 3, 2009, as Orange and Maroon
- 6 Legislative Day and commend alumni from Texas A&M University and
- 7 The University of Texas at Austin for their commitment to promoting
- 8 higher education in the Lone Star State.