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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Representatives from St. Edward's University are
gathering at the State Capitol on April 8, 2009; and

3 WHEREAS, Founded in 1885 by the Congregation of Holy Cross, St. Edward's University is a Catholic liberal arts institution 4 5 committed to serving students of diverse cultural, religious, educational, and economic backgrounds; emphasizing critical 6 thinking, social justice, and ethical practice, St. Edward's 7 provides an experiential, service-oriented, and academically 8 rigorous environment in which students are encouraged to explore 9 their own social, spiritual, and global paths; and 10

11 WHEREAS, This private university is ably guided by Dr. George 12 E. Martin; since he became its 23rd president in 1999, Dr. Martin has helped increase undergraduate enrollment by 60 percent, and yet 13 14 he has also ensured that the institution maintains low а student-to-faculty ratio; under Dr. Martin's skilled leadership, 15 16 St. Edward's has been recognized as one of the best colleges in America by U.S. News & World Report for six consecutive years, and 17 18 it has continued offering such vital programs as CAMP, the College Assistance Migrant Program that has given migrant students access 19 20 to higher education for nearly four decades; and

21 WHEREAS, St. Edward's is committed to helping its students 22 realize their full potential, and its efforts are preparing many 23 young Texans for the challenges and opportunities of the future; 24 now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 2 Legislature hereby recognize April 8, 2009, as St. Edward's 3 University Day at the State Capitol and extend to those associated 4 with this notable institution sincere best wishes for continued 5 success; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 7 prepared for St. Edward's University as an expression of high 8 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 975 was adopted by the House on April 8, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House