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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to
- 2 recognize the TEXAS Grant program on the occasion of its 10th
- 3 anniversary; and
- WHEREAS, Legislation for the TEXAS Grant program was enacted
- 5 in 1999 with the goal of providing thousands of Texas high school
- 6 students the opportunity to attend college, thus helping them to
- 7 better meet the challenges of the 21st century; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The program was designed to do for Texas what such
- 9 historic legislation as the GI Bill has done for the nation, that
- 10 is, to create a highly educated and skilled generation of young
- 11 people who might not otherwise have attended college due to
- 12 financial limitations; and
- 13 WHEREAS, A college education is a vital ingredient for
- 14 professional and economic success in our society, and encouraging
- 15 and supporting college students is among the state's top
- 16 priorities; and
- 17 WHEREAS, The TEXAS Grant program has already contributed to
- 18 the betterment of the Lone Star State by aiding in the education and
- 19 enrichment of some 205,000 students through nearly \$1.2 billion in
- 20 funding, and it has become an integral component of the state's
- 21 Closing the Gaps higher education strategy; now, therefore, be it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 23 Legislature hereby commemorate the 10th anniversary of the creation
- 24 of the TEXAS Grant program and extend sincere appreciation to all

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1 those involved in helping students access TEXAS Grants.