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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, April 9, 2012, will mark the sixth anniversary of
- 2 the Dallas Mega March for American Values and Justice; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The largest public protest in the city's history,
- 4 the Mega March drew between 350,000 and 500,000 participants who
- 5 joined together in support of immigration reform; and
- 6 WHEREAS, This powerful but peaceful gathering was sponsored
- 7 by LULAC and a coalition of Dallas-area groups, and it was attended
- 8 by throngs of people who trod the mile-long parade route in the
- 9 city's downtown; wearing white and carrying signs and American
- 10 flags, marchers highlighted the positive economic impact that
- 11 immigrants have on the U.S. economy and promoted changes that would
- 12 allow foreign workers an easier means of gaining legal status and
- 13 citizenship; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Taking place at a crucial time in the nation's
- 15 history, the Dallas event was part of a series of rallies that
- 16 occurred across the country as federal lawmakers considered
- 17 immigration reform; and
- 18 WHEREAS, The Mega March offered further proof that concerned
- 19 Texans, Hispanics and non-Hispanics alike, were committed to
- 20 voicing their opinions in the immigration debate; that spirit of
- 21 civic involvement remains strong, and it continues to influence
- 22 ongoing discussions about a range of important issues, thereby
- 23 strengthening the vital traditions of free speech and political
- 24 activism in the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

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- 1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 2 Legislature hereby commemorate the sixth anniversary of the Dallas
- 3 Mega March for American Values and Justice on April 9, 2012, and pay
- 4 tribute to all those who planned and took part in that historic
- 5 event.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 43 was adopted by the House on February 24, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House