

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to
2 recognize February 15, 2011, as Viva San Antonio Day at the State
3 Capitol and welcome the visiting delegation from the Alamo City;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The history of San Antonio can be traced back to
6 1691, when a group of Spanish explorers and missionaries came upon a
7 river and named it San Antonio, in honor of St. Anthony, whose feast
8 day was being celebrated; and

9 WHEREAS, The city was founded in 1718 by Father Antonio
10 Olivares; he established Mission San Antonio de Valero, which would
11 become etched in the annals of history in 1836 as the Alamo, the
12 site where 189 brave individuals held the mission for 13 days
13 against an army of some 4,000 Mexican soldiers; and

14 WHEREAS, The cry "Remember the Alamo" became the rallying
15 point of the Texas Revolution; today, the Alamo is a shrine and
16 museum and is widely recognized as the cradle of Texas liberty; and

17 WHEREAS, San Antonio became formally incorporated in 1837,
18 when the fledgling Republic of Texas granted the city a charter; the
19 city has since retained its sense of history and tradition while
20 carefully blending in cosmopolitan progress; it has served and
21 continues to serve as a crossroads and a meeting place, where the
22 rich sounds and cultural influences of Native Americans, Old
23 Mexico, Germans, the Wild West, African Americans, and the Deep
24 South mingle and merge; and

1 WHEREAS, The city has a proud military heritage; great
2 military figures like Pershing, Stilwell, Krueger, LeMay,
3 Chennault, and Eisenhower served at San Antonio military
4 institutions, including Fort Sam Houston, the headquarters for the
5 Fifth U.S. Army and the home of the U.S. Army Medical Command and
6 the Brooke Army Medical Center; in addition, San Antonio is the site
7 of Lackland Air Force Base, the largest training wing in the U.S.
8 Air Force, and Brooks City-Base, an innovative master-planned
9 research and technology center; and

10 WHEREAS, Recent years have brought remarkable economic
11 development to San Antonio as its skilled workforce, excellent
12 institutions of public and higher education, and quality of life
13 have attracted some important corporate business and industry to
14 the city; and

15 WHEREAS, Millions of visitors a year delight in the discovery
16 of San Antonio; in addition to the Alamo, highlights include La
17 Villita, San Fernando Cathedral, San Antonio Missions Trail, and
18 the famed Paseo del Rio, better known as "The Riverwalk"; among the
19 other attractions that make San Antonio one of the top tourist
20 destinations in the country are SeaWorld San Antonio and the Six
21 Flags Fiesta Texas theme park as well as the PGA Tour Valero Texas
22 Open, the Alamo Bowl, and the four-time world champion San Antonio
23 Spurs; and

24 WHEREAS, In April 2011, the city will once again celebrate
25 Fiesta San Antonio, the biggest 11-day party in the state; first
26 held 120 years ago, the event was founded by a group of ladies who
27 decorated horse-drawn carriages for a parade in front of the Alamo

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1 and battled with flower blossoms instead of bullets to honor the
2 heroes of the Alamo and the Battle of San Jacinto; and

3 WHEREAS, San Antonio is truly one of the treasures of the Lone
4 Star State, and Viva San Antonio Day provides a welcome opportunity
5 to honor the city and its many fine residents; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
7 Legislature hereby recognize February 15, 2011, as Viva San Antonio
8 Day at the State Capitol and extend to the members of the visiting
9 delegation best wishes for a memorable visit.

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| Anderson of Dallas | Hancock | Orr |
| Anderson of McLennan | Hardcastle | Otto |
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| Beck | Harper-Brown | Patrick |
| Berman | Hartnett | Paxton |
| Bohac | Hernandez Luna | Pena |
| Bonnen | Hilderbran | Perry |
| Branch | Hochberg | Phillips |
| Brown | Hopson | Pickett |
| Burkett | Howard of Fort Bend | Pitts |
| Burnam | Howard of Travis | Price |
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| Castro | Jackson | Ritter |
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| Craddick | King of Zavala | Sheffield |
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| Dutton | Lozano | Thompson |
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| Gallego | McClendon | White |
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| Gonzales of Hidalgo | Miller of Erath | Zerwas |

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 66 was adopted by the House on February 15, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House