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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Hispanic Heritage Fiesta is taking place October 2 8, 2011, at the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Grounds in
- 3 Mercedes, and the event serves as a showcase for a barbecue contest,
- 4 music and dance performances, and a range of other activities; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Sponsored by the Rio Grande Valley Hispanic Chamber
- 6 of Commerce, the fiesta is marking its second year in 2011, and a
- 7 highlight of the proceedings is the barbecue cook-off sanctioned by
- 8 the International Barbeque Cookers Association; the competition
- 9 draws talented pit masters from South Texas and cooking teams from
- 10 throughout the state to contend for prizes; in addition, the kiddie
- 11 cook-off provides young chefs with a chance to show off their
- 12 culinary skills; and
- 13 WHEREAS, To help celebrate Hispanic culture, the fiesta
- 14 features live entertainment by folkloric dancers and mariachi and
- 15 Tejano bands; comedians and rock, jazz, and country musicians are
- 16 also part of the fun, and attendees can browse arts and crafts
- 17 exhibits; and
- 18 WHEREAS, The Hispanic Heritage Fiesta is a favorite
- 19 destination for motorcycle enthusiasts, and in 2011 these
- 20 two-wheeled Texans have the opportunity to enjoy a poker run, a bike
- 21 show, and a bike skills contest; and
- WHEREAS, With its mix of good company, great eating, and
- 23 exceptional entertainment, the Hispanic Heritage Fiesta is a
- 24 popular fall event in the Rio Grande Valley, and it is sure to be a

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- 1 memorable experience for all who attend; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby commemorate the 2011 Hispanic Heritage Fiesta
- 4 and extend to the organizers and participants sincere best wishes
- 5 for an enjoyable celebration.

Gonzales of Hidalgo

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1677 was adopted by the House on May 12, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House