SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 81

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the citizens of Arlington and Texans across the state in celebrating January 26, 2011, as Arlington to Austin Day; and

WHEREAS, Named in honor of General Robert E. Lee's hometown in Virginia, Arlington is located midway between Dallas and Fort Worth and boasts a population of more than 365,000, making it one of the 50 most populous cities in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Arlington welcomes more than 6.5 million visitors each year to such attractions as Six Flags Over Texas, the Texas Rangers, and the Dallas Cowboys; the city is hosting the 2011 Super Bowl, which is expected to draw more than 100,000 fans; and

WHEREAS, The University of Texas at Arlington is a highly regarded research institution with a current all-time high enrollment of nearly 33,000 students; it offers nearly 190 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees in an extensive range of disciplines; and

WHEREAS, Arlington to Austin is a coalition of business, educational, and government leaders led by the Arlington Chamber of Commerce; the coalition travels to Austin during the legislative session to strengthen relationships with state agencies and elected and appointed officials; and

WHEREAS, It is truly fitting that Arlington be recognized for its countless contributions to the culture and the economy of North Texas and our state; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby welcome the delegation from Arlington to the State Capitol and extend to them best wishes for a successful and memorable Arlington to Austin Day; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this special day.

Harris, Davis

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 25, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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