By: Johnson, et al. H.C.R. No. 40 Substitute the following for H.C.R. No. 40: By: Branch C.S.H.C.R. No. 40

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, On National Signing Day, Texans join with others 2 throughout the country in focusing attention on high school 3 football players who receive college athletic scholarships, yet the 4 equally noteworthy achievements of the Lone Star State's academic 5 champions often go unnoticed; and

6 WHEREAS, While outstanding accomplishments on the football 7 field and in other athletic pursuits are understandably admired, 8 the future prosperity of the Lone Star State depends more on the 9 educational ability of its young people; every year, many Texas 10 students earn scholarships as a result of their exemplary 11 performance in the classroom, and their intelligence and hard work 12 are deserving of acclaim; and

WHEREAS, Academic superstars from Texarkana to El Paso and from the Panhandle to the Lower Rio Grande Valley successfully compete for a wide variety of scholarships, spurred on by their natural intellectual curiosity and their desire to realize their dreams; and

WHEREAS, Thanks to the generous sponsorship of a broad range of institutions and organizations, these remarkable young Texans are rewarded with the financial support they need to continue learning at the college level; their studies will allow them to take their place among the next generation of professionals and entrepreneurs, and they will play an essential part in our state's continuing progress; and

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1 WHEREAS, By setting aside a day to honor those who have proven 2 themselves worthy of academic scholarships, Texas citizens can help 3 reaffirm the value of education and encourage students to reach 4 their full potential; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas 6 hereby designate the first Saturday in May as Texas Academic 7 College Scholarship Day; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That in accordance with the provisions of Section 9 391.004(d), Government Code, this designation remains in effect 10 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is passed.