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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, On National Signing Day, which generally takes place 2 on the first Wednesday of February each year, Texans join with 3 others throughout the country in focusing attention on high school 4 football players who receive college athletic scholarships, yet the 5 equally noteworthy achievements of the Lone Star State's academic 6 champions often go unnoticed; and

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

- 1 continuing progress; and
- WHEREAS, By honoring those who have proven themselves worthy
- 3 of academic scholarships with a special day that coincides with
- 4 National Signing Day, Texas citizens can help reaffirm the value of
- 5 education and encourage students to reach their full potential;
- 6 now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas
- 8 hereby designate the Saturday before the first Wednesday in
- 9 February as Texas Academic College Scholarship Day; and, be it
- 10 further
- 11 RESOLVED, That in accordance with the provisions of Section
- 12 391.004(d), Government Code, this designation remains in effect
- 13 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is passed.