RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Proud citizens of Palmview are gathering in Austin 2 on April 22, 2013, to celebrate Palmview Day at the State Capitol; 3 and WHEREAS, Located in southern Hidalgo County, in the Rio 4 5 Grande Valley, Palmview can trace its heritage to the town of Mamie, which was established in 1904 as a stop along the St. Louis, 6 7 Brownsville and Mexico Railway; in 1972, a group of local residents spearheaded a drive to create an autonomous community, and their 8 efforts resulted in the establishment of the City of Palmview; and 9 WHEREAS, In the years since, Palmview has experienced 10 11 significant growth; it is now home to 6,500 residents, a number that 12 is expected to increase dramatically when the city completes the first phase of its annexation plan in the coming year; located at 13 14 the intersection of U.S. Highway 83 and Farm Road 2061, the town is situated between the busy retail areas of central Hidalgo County 15 16 and the slower-paced, yet growing Starr County to the west; and WHEREAS, Palmview's expansion has created a range of new 17 business opportunities, and its recently organized chamber of 18 commerce works with existing and prospective entrepreneurs to spur 19 further economic activity; moreover, officials are devoted to 20 21 enhancing services to benefit the town's growing population and, to that end, have worked in conjunction with agencies such as the Texas 22 23 Water Development Board and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to pursue new infrastructure projects; and 24

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- 1 WHEREAS, Like other border cities, Palmview faces a unique
- 2 set of challenges; it has gained widespread attention for its role
- 3 in helping to maintain national security, and this effort has
- 4 included the assistance of such state and federal programs as
- 5 Operation Border Star and Operation Stonegarden; and
- 6 WHEREAS, The city's progress is driven by its committed,
- 7 community-focused residents, who embody the town's slogan of
- 8 "Palmview Proud"; their involvement plays an essential role in
- 9 numerous initiatives, including the sports programs of the Parks
- 10 and Recreation Department, which have registered more than 90
- 11 teams, a rate of participation that exceeds that of much larger
- 12 municipalities; and
- WHEREAS, Home to an engaged citizenry and city government,
- 14 Palmview is building on its heritage of hard work and independence
- 15 to prepare for a dynamic and prosperous future; now, therefore, be
- 16 it
- 17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 18 Legislature hereby recognize April 22, 2013, as Palmview Day at the
- 19 State Capitol and extend to the city's delegation sincere best
- 20 wishes for an enjoyable and productive visit to Austin.

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| I certify that H.R. No. 1615 w | as adopted by the House on April |
| 22, 2013, by a non-record vote. | |
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Chief Clerk of the House