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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud citizens of Palmview are gathering in Austin
2 on April 22, 2013, to celebrate Palmview Day at the State Capitol;
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4 WHEREAS, Located in southern Hidalgo County, in the Rio
5 Grande Valley, Palmview can trace its heritage to the town of Mamie,
6 which was established in 1904 as a stop along the St. Louis,
7 Brownsville and Mexico Railway; in 1972, a group of local residents
8 spearheaded a drive to create an autonomous community, and their
9 efforts resulted in the establishment of the City of Palmview; and

10 WHEREAS, In the years since, Palmview has experienced
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
13 first phase of its annexation plan in the coming year; located at
14 the intersection of U.S. Highway 83 and Farm Road 2061, the town is
15 situated between the busy retail areas of central Hidalgo County
16 and the slower-paced, yet growing Starr County to the west; and

17 WHEREAS, Palmview's expansion has created a range of new
18 business opportunities, and its recently organized chamber of
19 commerce works with existing and prospective entrepreneurs to spur
20 further economic activity; moreover, officials are devoted to
21 enhancing services to benefit the town's growing population and, to
22 that end, have worked in conjunction with agencies such as the Texas
23 Water Development Board and the U.S. Department of Housing and
24 Urban Development to pursue new infrastructure projects; and

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

13 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.