

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, It is essential for the future prosperity of the  
2 Lone Star State that young Texans pursue higher education and  
3 develop the knowledge and skills necessary to compete in today's  
4 global economy; and

5           WHEREAS, Generation TX is an innovative program sponsored by  
6 the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board that seeks to  
7 establish a culture of college and career readiness in Texas public  
8 schools and to promote the idea that postsecondary studies are a  
9 realistic goal for all students in the state; and

10          WHEREAS, This community-based initiative assists students by  
11 providing detailed guidance on how to further their education and  
12 by outlining the processes of applying for admission and financial  
13 aid; in addition, Generation TX provides inspiration to students to  
14 pursue higher education, as well as valuable information on college  
15 readiness; and

16          WHEREAS, GenTX.org, the official website of Generation TX,  
17 connects students in a fun and informative online community and  
18 serves as a resource center that clarifies the steps that students  
19 need to take to pursue their studies beyond high school; and

20          WHEREAS, GenTX Day is being observed on May 3, 2013, to draw  
21 attention to the Generation TX initiative and to celebrate and  
22 congratulate students in the state, especially this year's  
23 graduating seniors; to help commemorate GenTX Day, all residents of  
24 the Lone Star State are asked to wear a T-shirt of their favorite

1 college to show their support for higher education; and

2       WHEREAS, This year's theme, "Take a Step on GenTX Day," is  
3 designed to motivate school and community groups to celebrate the  
4 day with college enrollment activities that help close educational  
5 gaps in their community, so Generation TX is asking students,  
6 parents, educators, nonprofits, businesses, and all participating  
7 groups to do at least one of these three things on GenTX Day: fill  
8 out a college application, take a college tour, or be a college  
9 mentor; and

10       WHEREAS, A postsecondary education offers many benefits,  
11 including broader opportunities, a more rewarding career path,  
12 pride of achievement, and the ability to attain a better standard of  
13 living, and the celebration of GenTX Day will help young Texans to  
14 better appreciate the actions they can take to prepare themselves  
15 for the challenges and opportunities of the future; now, therefore,  
16 be it

17       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
18 Legislature hereby recognize May 3, 2013, as GenTX Day at the State  
19 Capitol and commend Generation TX for helping students and their  
20 families become better informed about college and career education.

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H.R. No. 1871

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1871 was adopted by the House on May 8, 2013, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House