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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The city of Palmhurst has played an important role
- 2 in the Rio Grande Valley and in the story of the Lone Star State; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Development in the region began in 1912, when John
- 4 H. Shary invested in property and irrigation to expand early
- 5 experimental citrus groves into a commercial venture; remembered as
- 6 the "Father of the Texas Citrus Industry," he built what is now
- 7 known as the Shary Shivers Estates, a historic home where President
- 8 Dwight D. Eisenhower visited and the 37th governor of Texas, Allan
- 9 Shivers, married Marialice Shary; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Palmhurst was officially incorporated on January
- 11 25, 1964; governed by a mayor and five city council members, the
- 12 business-friendly town is home to 70 retail shops, which are
- 13 anticipated to raise \$1.2 million in sales tax in 2013 alone; the
- 14 more than 2,600 residents also enjoy living in the only city in
- 15 Hidalgo County without a property tax; and
- WHEREAS, Preserving the city's small-town charm while
- 17 working to build a bright future, the residents of Palmhurst may
- 18 indeed take great pride in their community's heritage and promise;
- 19 now, therefore, be it
- 20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 21 Legislature hereby honor the city of Palmhurst for its
- 22 contributions to the Rio Grande Valley and extend to its citizens
- 23 sincere best wishes for success in all of their endeavors.