

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Alumni of Texas A&M University--Kingsville are
2 gathering at the State Capitol in Austin on February 26, 2015, to
3 celebrate Javelina Day, named in honor of the university's beloved
4 mascot; and

5 WHEREAS, Established as a teacher's college in 1925, Texas
6 A&M University--Kingsville is the oldest continuously operating
7 public institution of higher education in South Texas; through the
8 years, the school has greatly expanded its educational scope to
9 include 7 colleges offering 56 baccalaureate degrees as well as 61
10 master's and 6 doctoral degree programs; it joined The Texas A&M
11 University System in 1989, and in 2006, the Texas A&M Health Science
12 Center also opened its Rangel College of Pharmacy on the 250-acre
13 main Kingsville campus; and

14 WHEREAS, Today, the university enrolls more than 8,700
15 students from throughout the country and around the world,
16 reflecting its commitment to serving individuals of diverse
17 cultural, religious, educational, and economic backgrounds; with a
18 student population that is 57 percent Hispanic and nearly 19
19 percent international, Texas A&M--Kingsville ranks among the top
20 schools in the nation for awarding degrees to Latinas and Latinos,
21 particularly in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and
22 mathematics; and

23 WHEREAS, The institution has received well-deserved
24 recognition for a host of academic programs, including the 545-acre

1 teaching farm it operates for agriculture students and its
2 bilingual postgraduate courses; its outstanding environmental
3 engineering curriculum has been rated one of the 50 best in the
4 country by *U.S. News and World Report*, and yearly since 2005, the
5 Kingsville campus has been placed among the top 100 universities in
6 the nation by *Washington Monthly* magazine; and

7 WHEREAS, Javelina men's and women's sports teams further
8 reflect the ferocity and tenacity for which the student mascot is
9 known; the football team has been especially successful in the
10 athletic arena, capturing 7 national championships and 34 Lone Star
11 Conference titles since 1931; and

12 WHEREAS, For nine decades, Texas A&M University--Kingsville
13 has enriched the lives of its students, contributed to the
14 advancement of human knowledge, and proved a powerful force for
15 social progress and economic development in the Lone Star State;
16 now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
18 Legislature hereby recognize February 26, 2015, as Javelina Day at
19 the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere
20 best wishes for the future; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
22 prepared for Texas A&M University--Kingsville as an expression of
23 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 388

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 388 was adopted by the House on
February 19, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House