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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine and
2 Biomedical Sciences is celebrating its centennial in 2016, and this
3 occasion provides a welcome opportunity to celebrate its rich
4 legacy of achievement; and

5 WHEREAS, Established in 1916, the Texas A&M College of
6 Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences is the only college of
7 veterinary medicine in Texas; throughout its history, it has
8 offered students viable, diverse career paths and has been
9 responsible for notable advances in the veterinary profession;
10 today, it provides a further service by promoting education in the
11 crucial fields of science, technology, engineering, and
12 mathematics; and

13 WHEREAS, The economic benefits of the college's work are felt
14 in myriad ways; it helps protect the state's \$15.8 billion
15 livestock industry and \$1.3 billion wildlife industry; moreover,
16 the veterinary profession itself has a \$3.9 billion impact in Texas
17 and plays an important part in creating job opportunities in rural
18 areas; and

19 WHEREAS, The program's more than 6,000 graduates have made
20 substantial contributions to conservation, food safety,
21 biosecurity, and public and environmental health; in addition, the
22 college reaches out to assist the general public through a range of
23 endeavors, including the assistance it provides for animals during
24 disasters and other emergencies, and it supports the One Health

1 Initiative that fosters collaboration between all aspects of health
2 care for humans and animals; and

3 WHEREAS, For 100 years, the Texas A&M College of Veterinary
4 Medicine and Biomedical Sciences has excelled in its mission of
5 educating aspiring veterinarians, researching urgent medical
6 issues, and serving the residents of the Lone Star State, and the
7 dedicated efforts of all those associated with the college are
8 indeed worthy of special recognition; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
10 Legislature hereby commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Texas
11 A&M College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences and
12 extend to the college's faculty, staff, and students sincere best
13 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for the college as an expression of high regard by the
16 Texas House of Representatives.