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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Young readers are gathering at Ray High School in 2 Corpus Christi on February 28, 2015, for the first annual Teen 3 Bookfest by the Bay; and

WHEREAS, Bringing together teenage readers with 16 popular 4 5 writers of young adult fiction, this free event is sponsored by the Corpus Christi Public Libraries, the Nueces County Library System, 6 7 the Portland Public Library, and Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, as well as librarians from the Aransas County, Calallen, 8 9 Corpus Christi, Flour Bluff, Gregory-Portland, Orange Grove, Port Aransas, Sinton, Tuloso-Midway, and West Oso Independent School 10 11 Districts; and

12 WHEREAS, The writers, most of whom are from Texas, include Jessica Lee Anderson, Rosemary Clement-Moore, Beth Fehlbaum, 13 P. J. Hoover, Guadalupe Garcia-McCall, Estela Gutierrez, 14 C. C. Hunter, Lindsey Lane, Diana Lopez, Mari Mancusi, Jennifer 15 16 Mathieu, Jackson Pearce (who also writes under the name J. Nelle 17 Patrick), Joy Preble, Victoria Scott, Joe Shine, and Django Wexler; 18 and

WHEREAS, In panel discussions, the authors will talk about the process of writing and publishing, as well as such topics of interest as fantasy, paranormal fiction, and manga comics; there will be a "Steampunk Social" during the lunch break and a flash fiction session in the afternoon, and the day will conclude with the authors meeting readers and signing copies of their books; and

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1 WHEREAS, A love of reading can open up whole new worlds to 2 young people, and this unique event offers readers in Corpus 3 Christi and the surrounding region an opportunity to learn from and 4 be inspired by a dynamic group of successful authors; now, 5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas 7 Legislature hereby commemorate the first annual Teen Bookfest by 8 the Bay and extend to the festival's organizers, visiting authors, 9 and attendees sincere best wishes for an exciting and memorable 10 event; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 12 prepared for Teen Bookfest by the Bay as an expression of high 13 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.