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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Robstown Area Historical Museum is dedicated to
2 preserving a rich cultural heritage that spans more than a century;
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4 WHEREAS, Founded on February 11, 1996, by the Reverend Inez
5 Ramon and Dusty Knoblauch, the museum is housed in the former
6 Bosquez Grocery Store at Main Avenue and Second Street; the
7 building was donated by Dr. Roberto Bosquez and Ninfa Bosquez,
8 whose parents once owned and operated the store, and generous local
9 residents have provided a variety of possessions that teach
10 visitors about Robstown's past; in 2012, Angelica Tijerina Taylor,
11 a retired teacher and Robstown High School graduate, gave \$10,000
12 to the museum, and in 2014, the institution received a major
13 donation from the City of Robstown and generous grants from the
14 Nueces County Commissioners Court, the Coastal Bend Community
15 Foundation, and friends and family of museum cofounder Dusty
16 Knoblauch; and

17 WHEREAS, Among the museum's holdings are many items that
18 testify to the importance of agriculture in early Robstown,
19 including an antique plow and a machine used to separate onions in
20 the 1920s; African American history is reflected in the volume of
21 information compiled by the Mays family, who are thought to be the
22 town's first African American residents; in addition, vintage
23 yearbooks, old photographs, and other memorabilia chronicle life in
24 the 20th century; and

1 WHEREAS, Citizens of Robstown take great pride in their
2 community, and this noteworthy museum holds many treasured
3 artifacts that serve to inform and enlighten residents and visitors
4 alike about the city's fascinating history; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
6 Legislature hereby honor the Robstown Area Historical Museum and
7 extend to all those associated with the institution sincere best
8 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for the museum as an expression of high regard by the Texas
11 House of Representatives.