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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For the first time, the Texas Science, Technology,
2 Engineering and Mathematics Initiative is joining with schools in
3 El Paso to observe STEM Education Week from May 4 to 10, 2015; and

4 WHEREAS, T-STEM is a public-private initiative of academies,
5 professional development centers, and networks that work together
6 to empower teachers and inspire students to improve instruction and
7 academic performance in classes devoted to science and mathematics;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, The Texas Education Agency has designated 91 schools
10 in the state as T-STEM campuses; in the El Paso area, these
11 institutions include the Clint High School STEM Academy, Da Vinci
12 School for Science and the Arts, Harmony School of Innovation,
13 Harmony Science Academy, Irvin T-STEM Academy, Montwood High
14 School, Transmountain T-STEM/ECHS Academy, and T-STEM Academy at
15 Parkland High School; STEM schools' objectives include increasing
16 the number of students pursuing college studies and careers in STEM
17 fields and fostering strong leadership in support of school
18 redesign efforts, the recruitment of expert teachers, and improved
19 teacher preparation; and

20 WHEREAS, During STEM Education Week, schools in El Paso are
21 joining with The University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso Community
22 College, Western Technical College, Region 19 Education Service
23 Center, the El Paso STEM Foundation, Western Refining,
24 Transformation Central, and the El Paso Cosmetic Surgery Group to

1 organize a STEM Fair; and

2 WHEREAS, The Texas economy of the 21st century is
3 increasingly reliant on a workforce skilled in science, technology,
4 engineering, and math, and it is a pleasure to commend T-STEM
5 schools in the El Paso area for their support of this vital
6 curricula; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
8 Legislature hereby recognize May 4 through 10, 2015, as Texas STEM
9 Education Week in El Paso and extend to sponsors and participants
10 sincere best wishes for a successful event.