SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 134

WHEREAS, Proud citizens of Palmview are gathering in Austin on February 9, 2015, to celebrate Palmview Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Located in southern Hidalgo County, in the Rio Grande Valley, Palmview can trace its heritage to the town of Mamie, which was established in 1904 as a stop along the St. Louis, Brownsville, and Mexico Railway; in 1972, a group of local residents led a drive to create an autonomous community, and their efforts resulted in the establishment of the City of Palmview; and

WHEREAS, In the years since, Palmview has experienced significant growth; it is now home to about 6,000 residents, a number that is expected to increase dramatically in the coming years; located at the crossroads of United States Highway 83 and Farm Road 2061, the town is situated between the busy retail areas of central Hidalgo County and the slower-paced, yet growing Starr County to the west; and

WHEREAS, Palmview's expansion has created a range of new business opportunities, and the city chamber of commerce is working with existing and prospective entrepreneurs to spur further economic activity; moreover, officials are devoted to enhancing services to benefit the town's growing population and, to that end, have cooperated with agencies such as the Texas Water Development Board and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to pursue new infrastructure projects; and

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WHEREAS, Like other border cities, Palmview faces a unique set of challenges, and it has gained widespread attention for its role in helping to maintain national security; and

WHEREAS, The city's progress is driven by its committed, community-focused residents, who embody the town's slogan of "Palmview Proud"; their involvement plays an essential role in numerous initiatives, including the Parks and Recreation Department sports programs, which have registered more than 90 teams, a rate of participation that exceeds that of much larger municipalities; and

WHEREAS, Home to an engaged citizenry and city government, Palmview is building on its heritage of hard work and independence to prepare for a dynamic and prosperous future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby recognize February 9, 2015, as Palmview Day at the State Capitol and extend to the city's delegation sincere best wishes for an enjoyable and productive visit to Austin.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 9, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate