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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud citizens of Kingsville are gathering in Austin
2 on January 31, 2017, to celebrate Kingsville Day at the State
3 Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Founded on Independence Day in 1904, Kingsville is
5 an important center of higher education in South Texas; Texas A&M
6 University--Kingsville, which opened as South Texas Teachers
7 College in 1925, includes the Frank H. Dotterweich College of
8 Engineering, the Dick and Mary Lewis Kleberg College of
9 Agriculture, the Caesar Kleberg Wildlife Research Institute, and
10 the Irma Lerma Rangel College of Pharmacy; the university has
11 claimed seven national football championships and has been
12 recognized for its excellent environmental engineering program,
13 jazz band, and wildlife society; and

14 WHEREAS, Naval Air Station Kingsville features the premier
15 undergraduate pilot training facility in the United States and
16 prepares U.S. Navy and Marine Corps pilots for their key role in
17 national defense; the base is also home to an Army Reserve Medical
18 Evacuation unit and an Armed Forces Reserve Center, and a
19 U.S. Border Patrol facility is situated nearby; and

20 WHEREAS, Kingsville, along with the rest of Kleberg County,
21 is a place of diversified industries; thanks to the presence of
22 companies producing oil, gas, nuclear, wind, and solar power, the
23 area's economy has continued to grow, resulting in new jobs and an
24 improved quality of life for residents; among the businesses based

1 in Kingsville are Proco, Inc., and Texas Cementing Services; and

2 WHEREAS, The visitor center, museum, and saddle shop for the
3 world famous King Ranch are located in Kingsville; larger than
4 Rhode Island, King Ranch covers 825,000 acres of South Texas land
5 and is known for developing the Santa Gertrudis cattle breed; the
6 ranch is also highly respected for horse breeding and agribusiness;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, The citizens of Kingsville are working to preserve
9 their rich history while building a future of expanding
10 opportunity, and they may take great pride in the role their
11 community has played in the story of the Lone Star State; now,
12 therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
14 Legislature hereby recognize January 31, 2017, as Kingsville Day at
15 the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere
16 best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin.