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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Wells Branch Community Library has received a
- 2 performance support grant from the Texas Commission on the Arts for
- 3 a special storytelling event; and
- WHEREAS, On March 1, 2019, Donna Ingham will visit the
- 5 library to share stories with a Lone Star State theme in celebration
- 6 of Texas Independence Day; the program is part of the library's
- 7 First Friday initiative, which brings together performers from many
- 8 realms for the enjoyment of patrons of all ages; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The Wells Branch Community Library District was
- 10 established in 1998; initially run by volunteers, the library
- 11 operated out of a closet in the Wells Branch Methodist Church, and
- 12 the collection consisted entirely of donations from the community
- 13 and other libraries nearby; the library opened its own
- 14 2,700-square-foot space in Bratton Square the following year, and
- 15 it launched a number of programs that continue today, including
- 16 public computer access, summer reading, and the Polar Express
- 17 Pajamarama; and
- 18 WHEREAS, In subsequent years, the library's holdings
- 19 increased considerably; accordingly, it moved in 2003 to its
- 20 present location, which offers 16,000 square feet of space; the
- 21 library has also expanded its hours to serve residents seven days a
- 22 week, and it sponsors concerts, special presentations, book clubs,
- 23 and early literacy activities; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Wells Branch Community Library is dedicated to

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- 1 enriching the lives of local residents, and the Texas Independence
- 2 Day event is sure to both educate and engage all those who attend;
- 3 now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby congratulate Wells Branch Community Library on
- 6 its receipt of a performance support grant from the Texas
- 7 Commission on the Arts and extend sincere best wishes for continued
- 8 success to the library's staff; and, be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for Wells Branch Community Library as an expression of
- 11 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.