

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The League of United Latin American Citizens is
2 marking the 90th anniversary of its founding in 2019; and

3 WHEREAS, Established in Corpus Christi in 1929, LULAC drew
4 strength from the rise of the Texas-Mexican middle class and the
5 growing resistance to discrimination; it became the first
6 nationwide Mexican American civil rights organization, striving to
7 end political disenfranchisement, racial segregation, lack of
8 political representation, and jury exclusion; a multi-issue
9 organization from its inception, it also sought to address the
10 roots of poverty and promote economic progress; and

11 WHEREAS, LULAC organized poll tax drives and fought to
12 abolish these antidemocratic taxes; in the 1930s, it investigated
13 charges of discrimination by the Works Progress Administration, and
14 it later worked with the Federal Employment Practices Commission to
15 open up jobs for Mexican Americans in the defense industry; members
16 were engaged in *Hernandez v. State of Texas*, which secured for
17 Mexican Americans the right to serve on juries; moreover, they
18 fought for the appointment of Mexican Americans to important
19 federal and state positions and supported candidates for public
20 office; and

21 WHEREAS, Deeply committed to school desegregation, LULAC was
22 engaged in such pivotal court cases as *Delgado v. Bastrop ISD*, which
23 ended segregation in public schools; from its early years, the
24 organization promoted education by awarding scholarships, and in

1 1974, it created a national scholarship fund, as well as the LULAC
2 National Educational Service Centers; members also participated in
3 a 1990 case seeking the allocation of a greater share of state funds
4 to South Texas colleges; along the way, LULAC played a role in the
5 formation of a number of important organizations, among them the
6 Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund; and

7 WHEREAS, Today, under the leadership of national president
8 Domingo Garcia, LULAC continues its efforts to protect the civil
9 rights of Latinos while expanding opportunities in education,
10 employment, economic advancement, and political influence; its
11 comprehensive suite of nationwide programs support such worthy
12 causes as affordable housing, health care access, citizenship, and
13 humanitarian relief; and

14 WHEREAS, Over the course of nine decades, LULAC has helped to
15 build a more just, equitable, and vibrant society, and its
16 contributions have improved the lives of countless Americans; now,
17 therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
19 Legislature hereby commemorate LULAC's 90th anniversary and extend
20 to the members of the organization sincere best wishes for the
21 future.

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Bonnen of Brazoria	Guerra	Oliverson
Allen	Guillen	Ortega
Allison	Gutierrez	Pacheco
Anchia	Harless	Paddie
Anderson	Harris	Parker
Ashby	Hefner	Patterson
Bailes	Hernandez	Paul
Beckley	Herrero	Perez
Bell of Kaufman	Hinojosa	Phelan
Bell of Montgomery	Holland	Price
Bernal	Howard	Ramos
Biedermann	Huberty	Raney
Blanco	Hunter	Raymond
Bohac	Israel	Reynolds
Bonnen of Galveston	E. Johnson of Dallas	Rodriguez
Bowers	J. Johnson of Dallas	Romero, Jr.
Buckley	Johnson of Harris	Rose
Bucy	Kacal	Rosenthal
Burns	King of Hemphill	Sanford
Burrows	King of Parker	Schaefer
Button	King of Uvalde	Shaheen
Cain	Klick	Sheffield
Calanni	Krause	Sherman, Sr.
Canales	Kuempel	Shine
Capriglione	Lambert	Smith
Clardy	Landgraf	Smithee
Cole	Lang	Springer
Coleman	Larson	Stephenson
Collier	Leach	Stickland
Cortez	Leman	Stucky
Craddick	Longoria	Swanson
Cyrier	Lozano	Talarico
Darby	Lucio III	Thierry
Davis of Dallas	Martinez	Thompson of Brazoria
Davis of Harris	Martinez Fischer	Thompson of Harris
Dean	Metcalf	Tinderholt
Deshotel	Meyer	Toth
Dominguez	Meza	Turner of Dallas
Dutton	Middleton	Turner of Tarrant
Farrar	Miller	VanDeaver
Fierro	Minjarez	Vo
Flynn	Moody	Walle
Frank	Morrison	White
Frullo	Muñoz, Jr.	Wilson
Geren	Murphy	Wray
Gervin-Hawkins	Murr	Wu
Goldman	Neave	Zedler
González of Dallas	Nevárez	Zerwas
González of El Paso	Noble	Zwiener
Goodwin		

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Speaker of the House

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Chief Clerk of the House