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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Tarrant County Criminal District Attorney's
 Office is celebrating the 100th anniversary of its founding in
 2019; and

WHEREAS, Established on October 19, 1919, the Tarrant County 4 5 Criminal District Attorney's Office was initially led by Jesse Brown, who served as the county's first criminal district attorney 6 and devoted more than four decades of service to his fellow 7 residents; through the years, the office has benefited from the 8 9 leadership of 15 exemplary attorneys such as Tim Curry, who held the position for 37 years, and current Tarrant County Criminal District 10 11 Attorney Sharen Wilson; and

12 WHEREAS, The office has been at the forefront of numerous including the hiring of the state's first female 13 advances, 14 assistant criminal district attorney and first African American assistant criminal district attorneys, as well as the development 15 16 of the first-known pretrial diversion program; in addition, the 17 office created an open-file policy for defense attorneys decades before the practice was mandated, and it was among the first in the 18 state to accept electronic filing of criminal cases and to 19 20 establish a victims' assistance office; and

21 WHEREAS, For a century, the Tarrant County Criminal District 22 Attorney's Office has served the county's citizens with integrity 23 and professionalism, and it is a pleasure to join in recognizing the 24 office as it marks this special milestone in its history; now,

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1 therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Tarrant County Criminal District Attorney's Office and extend to all those associated with the office sincere best wishes for continued success with their important work; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
prepared for the office as an expression of high regard by the Texas
House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 627 was adopted by the House on March 21, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House