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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, For more than half a century, El Centro College has
- 2 made significant contributions to higher education in the Dallas
- 3 area; and
- WHEREAS, The oldest school in the Dallas County Community
- 5 College District, El Centro College first opened its doors in 1966,
- 6 just a year after the district was established; having outgrown its
- 7 original campus, the school currently encompasses two locations,
- 8 the Downtown Campus and West Campus, which serve students from all
- 9 across Dallas County; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Led by President José Adames, the school offers
- 11 career training in over 50 fields, including highly respected
- 12 programs in allied health, nursing, culinary arts, fashion design,
- 13 interior design, and information technology; students can also
- 14 prepare for transfer to a four-year institution by taking a variety
- 15 of core educational courses or by completing the first two years of
- 16 an engineering degree through the Texas A&M-Chevron Engineering
- 17 Academy, the school's co-enrollment partnership with Texas A&M
- 18 University; and
- 19 WHEREAS, El Centro College is federally designated as a
- 20 Hispanic-Serving Institution and is a member of the Hispanic
- 21 Association of Colleges and Universities; dedicated to helping
- 22 low-income students and students of color succeed, the school
- 23 became an Achieving the Dream College in 2011; and
- 24 WHEREAS, With its high-quality education and workforce

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- 1 programs, El Centro College provides a gateway to a bright and
- 2 fulfilling future for myriad students, and in so doing, it
- 3 contributes to the strength and prosperity of the Lone Star State;
- 4 now, therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 6 Legislature hereby commend El Centro College for the vital role it
- 7 plays in the Dallas community and extend to all those associated
- 8 with the institution sincere best wishes for continued success;
- 9 and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for El Centro College as an expression of high regard by
- 12 the Texas House of Representatives.