RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The celebrated author and scholar Andrew Roberts is 2 visiting the Texas State Capitol on April 10, 2019, providing a 3 fitting opportunity to pay tribute to his many achievements; and WHEREAS, Born in London in 1963, Andrew Roberts earned a 4 5 first class honors degree in modern history at Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge, where he is also an honorary senior scholar and 6 7 a doctor of philosophy; at present, he is a visiting professor in the War Studies Department at King's College, London, and the 8 Lehrman Institute lecturer at the New-York Historical Society; and 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Roberts has authored or edited 19 volumes of 10 11 biography and military history, which have been 12 translated into 22 languages; his book Masters and Commanders, about the grand strategy of the Allies during World War II, won the 13 14 Emery Reves Award of the International Churchill Society, and The Storm of War: A New History of the Second World War reached number 15 two on the Sunday Times bestseller list and won the British Army 16 Military Book Award in 2010; and 17 18 WHEREAS, A popular and prolific writer, his lively biographies include volumes on Napoleon, British prime minister 19 20 Lord Salisbury, and Indian viceroy Lord Halifax, as well as joint 21 studies, such as Hitler and Churchill and Napoleon and Wellington, 22 and several books about the British royal family; his recent bestselling biography, Churchill: Walking with Destiny, has been 23 highly praised in the Times of London and the New York Times, which 24

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- 1 called it "the best single-volume biography of Churchill yet
- 2 written"; and
- WHEREAS, In addition to his books, Mr. Roberts is the author
- 4 of dozens of reviews and articles for nearly every major newspaper
- 5 and magazine in the United States and Britain; a sought-after
- 6 public speaker, he has delivered lectures at the White House, the
- 7 U.S. Army War College, and Oxford, Cambridge, Yale, Princeton, and
- 8 Stanford Universities, and he has been a television commentator for
- 9 such events as the funeral of Princess Diana and the royal weddings
- 10 of Prince William and Kate Middleton and Prince Harry and Meghan
- 11 Markle; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Mr. Roberts is married to Susan Gilchrist, and he is
- 13 the father of two children, Henry and Cassia; and
- WHEREAS, A gifted writer and an insightful historian, Andrew
- 15 Roberts may indeed take great pride in his remarkable literary
- 16 accomplishments, and it is a pleasure to welcome him to the Lone
- 17 Star State; now, therefore, be it
- 18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 19 Legislature hereby commend Andrew Roberts on his myriad
- 20 achievements as an author and scholar and extend to him sincere best
- 21 wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 23 prepared for Mr. Roberts as an expression of high regard by the
- 24 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1052 was adopted by the House on April 10, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House