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R E S O L U T I O N

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

4 WHEREAS, Born in London in 1963, Andrew Roberts earned a
5 first class honors degree in modern history at Gonville & Caius
6 College, Cambridge, where he is also an honorary senior scholar and
7 a doctor of philosophy; at present, he is a visiting professor in
8 the War Studies Department at King's College, London, and the
9 Lehrman Institute lecturer at the New-York Historical Society; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Roberts has authored or edited 19 volumes of
11 political biography and military history, which have been
12 translated into 22 languages; his book *Masters and Commanders*,
13 about the grand strategy of the Allies during World War II, won the
14 Emery Reves Award of the International Churchill Society, and *The*
15 *Storm of War: A New History of the Second World War* reached number
16 two on the *Sunday Times* bestseller list and won the British Army
17 Military Book Award in 2010; and

18 WHEREAS, A popular and prolific writer, his lively
19 biographies include volumes on Napoleon, British prime minister
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
23 bestselling biography, *Churchill: Walking with Destiny*, has been
24 highly praised in the *Times* of London and the *New York Times*, which

1 called it "the best single-volume biography of Churchill yet
2 written"; and

3 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

14 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.