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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The iconic Texas Pool in Plano, the first 2 Texas-shaped pool in state and national history, was entered into 3 the National Register of Historic Places in 2019; and

WHEREAS, The idea for the 168,000-gallon pool, which was built in 1960 and opened to the public a year later, was conceived by Herbert Hunt and the William Herbert Hunt Trust as a way to attract families to the Dallas North Estates neighborhood; the pool was a popular destination for several decades, until its membership began to decline around the 2000s; and

WHEREAS, In recent years, a coalition of volunteers and 10 11 historians has come together to help restore the Texas Pool; the 12 Texas Pool Foundation was established in 2013, and its board members set their sights on securing designation of the pool as a 13 14 national historic landmark, an endeavor that was met with unanimous support by the Texas Historical Commission in late 2018; this 15 16 coming summer, the pool is set to open with the addition of underwater tiles, a refurbished feature from its earlier days, that 17 spell out the names of a number of Texas cities; and 18

WHEREAS, The Texas Pool has been a source of many fond memories for generations of visitors, and its recognition as a national historic landmark, combined with the dedicated efforts of local volunteers and historians, will help to ensure the continued preservation of this treasured community asset; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
2 Legislature hereby commemorate the inclusion of the Texas Pool in
3 the National Register of Historic Places and extend to the pool's
4 caretakers and members sincere best wishes for the future.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1455 was adopted by the House on May 10, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House