

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For more than 30 years, the post office in Valentine
2 has offered people around the world a special postmark for their
3 love letters and cards on Valentine's Day; and

4 WHEREAS, The town of Valentine received its name because it
5 was founded on February 14, 1882, and in recent years, its post
6 office has provided a special romantic postmark for the holiday,
7 with a new design every year; individuals from across the nation and
8 as far away as Switzerland and Japan send letters to Texas to be
9 stamped with the special cancellation; on average, the post office
10 processes 12,000 love letters each year, and it has received as many
11 as 30,000; and

12 WHEREAS, Each year's postmark is selected through a
13 competition for local schoolchildren; the 2019 winning entry was
14 created by Jordan Miller, an eighth grader in the Valentine
15 Independent School District; the design shows the back of a pickup
16 truck, with the date, the name of the town and its zip code, and
17 "Love Station" written across the tailgate and the bumper; the
18 truck is flanked by a line from the classic Waylon Jennings song
19 "Luckenbach, Texas (Back to the Basics of Love)"; and

20 WHEREAS, This unique and charming tradition helps
21 individuals from far and wide put a West Texas spin on their
22 Valentine's Day cards and letters, and it is truly deserving of
23 special recognition; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby commend the Valentine post office for its annual
2 Valentine's Day postmark program and extend to the post office
3 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1941 was adopted by the House on May 22, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House