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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Every year on July 4, Americans join together to 2 commemorate the adoption of the Declaration of Independence by the

3 founding fathers of this great nation; and

WHEREAS, Fourth of July gatherings are a beloved American 4 tradition, when individuals across the United States pause to 5 remember the countless struggles and triumphs of those who worked 6 7 to build a government of the people, by the people, and for the people; these celebrations bring together citizens of many 8 9 different backgrounds who all take pride in the American identity,

one embodying cherished ideals of freedom and equality; and

WHEREAS, From the colonial militias who carried muskets into battle to the heroic men and women who serve in the U.S. armed 12 forces today, our military personnel have made incalculable 13 14 sacrifices in order to secure the dream envisioned by the nation's founders; we owe a profound debt of gratitude to our troops for 15 16 their selfless and courageous service, as well as to their families for all they have endured, and on this special day we extend our 17 heartfelt appreciation to all those in uniform and to their loved 18 19 ones; and

20 WHEREAS, When the delegates to the Continental Congress made 21 their famous declaration in 1776, they laid the foundation for a republic dedicated to the cause of just self-governance and charted 22 23 a bold new course for the land they called home; as Texans gather to celebrate Independence Day 2020, we will pledge anew to uphold the 24

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- 1 solemn promise of freedom that has defined this country since its
- 2 birth and to treasure the rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit
- 3 of happiness that we all share; now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby commemorate the Fourth of July, 2020.