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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Through the Tejanos Against Tobacco campaign, the El 2 Paso Community College Student Government Association has made 3 great strides toward its goal of achieving a smoke-free and 4 tobacco-free campus environment; and

WHEREAS, For more than 10 years, the Student Government 5 Association has worked to raise awareness of the dangers of 6 7 secondhand smoke; the organization's efforts have included organizing educational exhibitions, hosting a speaker to help 8 facilitate a discussion about the tobacco industry, and staging 9 demonstrations with the goal of persuading the college to join 100 10 11 other campuses across the country in adopting a smoke-free policy; in February 2020, the college's board of trustees approved a 12 measure to develop a policy banning tobacco and vaping products at 13 14 all EPCC facilities; and

15 WHEREAS, The Tejanos Against Tobacco campaign has garnered 16 support from the Tobacco Control Network and the American Heart 17 Association; in 2016, EPCC was awarded a \$20,000 grant as part of 18 the American Cancer Society and the CVS Health Foundation's 19 Tobacco-Free Generation Campus Initiative, which went toward 20 Tejanos Against Tobacco and efforts to eliminate tobacco at all 21 EPCC facilities; and

WHEREAS, The Student Government Association has demonstrated an impressive commitment to making El Paso Community College a healthier place for all, and it is fitting to recognize the

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organization for its accomplishments through the Tejanos Against
Tobacco campaign over the past decade; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby honor the El Paso Community College Student Government Association for its work with the Tejanos Against Tobacco campaign and extend to all those involved with the association sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 10 prepared for the El Paso Community College SGA as an expression of 11 high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1229 was adopted by the House on May 23, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House