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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Mark Twain Dual Language Academy in the San Antonio
2 Independent School District is celebrating its 100th anniversary in
3 2023; and

4 WHEREAS, San Antonio citizens voted in 1922 to establish a
5 pioneering junior high school system for students in grades six
6 through eight; the resulting eight campuses, which were named after
7 notable figures of American literature, opened in 1923 and offered
8 a bridge between elementary and high school and a more challenging
9 curriculum to better prepare students to succeed; and

10 WHEREAS, Aably guided by principal David Garcia and assistant
11 principals Elena Aldaz and Gisella Calejo, Mark Twain Dual Language
12 Academy currently serves students in prekindergarten through the
13 eighth grade; the school opened as a dual language institution
14 during the 2017-2018 school year, and its unique curriculum allows
15 students to receive academic instruction in both Spanish and
16 English; the academy also offers extracurricular programs such as
17 mariachi and sports, and it has been recognized with an A rating;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, For the past century, this noteworthy institution
20 has provided its students with a strong educational foundation on
21 which to build, and it has made a positive and lasting difference in
22 the lives of generations of San Antonio residents; now, therefore,
23 be it

24 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature, 3rd

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1 Called Session, hereby commemorate the 100th anniversary of Mark
2 Twain Dual Language Academy and extend to its students, faculty,
3 staff, and alumni sincere best wishes for continued success; and,
4 be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for the school as an expression of high regard by the Texas
7 Senate.