1-1 By: Lopez of Bexar, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Hall) H.C.R. No. 12 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 1, 2023; 1-3 May 1, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on 1-4 Administration; May 16, 2023, reported favorably by the following 1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 16, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6		COMMITTEE VOTE			
1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Hall	Х			
1-9	Springer	Х			
1-10	Alvarado	Х			
1-11	Johnson	Х			
1-12	Menéndez	Х			
1-13	Middleton	Х			
1-14	Parker	Х			

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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1-16 WHEREAS, The wounds sustained through armed service to the 1-17 United States are both visible and invisible, and it is vital that 1-18 all veterans and their families have access to appropriate health 1-19 care treatments and other resources; and

1-20 WHEREAS, According to the Department of Veterans Affairs and 1-21 the Department of Defense, an average of nearly 20 current or former 1-22 members of the armed forces die by suicide each day, and veterans 1-23 account for a disproportionate percentage of all adult suicides in 1-24 the U.S.; and

1-25 WHEREAS, It is of critical importance that military and 1-26 veteran communities continue to offer support to the surviving 1-27 family members of veterans who die by suicide and connect them to 1-28 available resources; these families have valuable lessons to share 1-29 that can help prevent future suicides in veteran populations, and 1-30 their voices should be included in prevention efforts; and

1-31 WHEREAS, The families of veterans who die by suicide are 1-32 deserving of recognition for their contributions to the strength, 1-33 health, and survival of veteran communities, and Texas Veterans 1-34 Suicide Prevention Day offers a fitting opportunity for all Texans 1-35 to extend their support to veterans and their families; now, 1-36 therefore, be it

1-37 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas 1-38 hereby designate September 22 as Texas Veterans Suicide Prevention 1-39 Day; and, be it further

1-40 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of 1-41 Section 391.004(d), Government Code, this designation remain in 1-42 effect until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is 1-43 finally passed by the legislature.

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