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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Community members, students, faculty, and staff 2 from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso are gathering on March 6, 2023, to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the 3 institution becoming an independent university within the Texas 4 5 Tech University System; and 6 WHEREAS, Since 1973, Texas Tech University Health Sciences 7 Center El Paso has provided quality medical education and primary health care to the West Texas area; it was initially created as a 8 Regional Academic Health Center for the TTU School of Medicine, and 9 on May 18, 2013, Governor Rick Perry signed S.B. 120 to formally 10 11 establish TTUHSC El Paso as the fourth of five freestanding 12 universities in the Texas Tech University System; with a focus on researching cancer, diabetes and metabolism, infectious diseases, 13 14 and neurosciences, the university works to address health problems among the Hispanic population, and each year, its physicians, 15 16 clinics, and partnering hospitals provide more than \$33 million in uncompensated health care services to the El Paso community; and 17 18 WHEREAS, The only health sciences center along the U.S.-Mexico border, TTUHSC El Paso encompasses four schools, the 19 Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing, the L. Frederick Francis 20 21 Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, the Paul L. Foster School of Medicine, and the Woody L. Hunt School of Dental Medicine; while 22 23 partnering with local hospitals, the university provides vital opportunities for medical residency, clinical rotations, 24

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- 1 postgraduation job placements; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso
- 3 helps to remove barriers to health care and offers students
- 4 life-changing educational opportunities, and it is a pleasure to
- 5 join in honoring the university on the occasion of this important
- 6 milestone in its history; now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby commemorate the 10th anniversary of Texas Tech
- 9 University Health Sciences Center El Paso becoming an independent
- 10 university within the Texas Tech University System and extend to
- 11 all those associated with the university sincere best wishes for
- 12 continued success; and, be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be
- 14 prepared for TTUHSC El Paso as an expression of high regard from the
- 15 Texas House of Representatives.