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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The celebration of The University of Texas at 2 Arlington Day at the State Capitol on March 22, 2023, provides a 3 fitting occasion to recognize this notable institution; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1895 as Arlington College, the school initially provided instruction to approximately 75 students from the elementary grades through a level roughly equivalent to high school; it was converted into Carlisle Military Academy in 1902 and was subsequently known as Arlington Training School and then Arlington Military Academy; and

WHEREAS, The institution transitioned into Grubbs Vocational College, a branch of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, in 1917; it maintained that affiliation with what is now Texas A&M University after changing its name to North Texas Agricultural College; by 1949, it was considered the largest state-supported junior college in the Southwest, and it was renamed Arlington State College; and

WHEREAS, In 1959, Arlington State became a comprehensive four-year institution, and six years later, it joined The University of Texas System; the state legislature conferred its present-day name in 1967; and

21 WHEREAS, The university today is the second largest in the UT 22 System; its faculty is especially noted for specialized expertise 23 in national defense, information technologies, hypersonics, 24 healthcare informatics, energy, bioengineering, and

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biotechnologies; in addition, it awards thousands of degrees each year in critical workforce fields such as engineering and science, education, and social work, and its nursing program has become the largest producer of baccalaureate-prepared registered nurses in Texas; and

WHEREAS, An inclusive and impactful research university, it 6 7 was the state's fourth public university to achieve Texas Tier One 8 status in 2021, and it is one of only 21 universities nationwide to be categorized as both an R1 institution by the Carnegie 9 10 Classification of Institutions of Higher Education and a Hispanic-Serving Institution by the U.S. Department of Education; 11 12 and

13 WHEREAS, Over the course of more than 125 years, The 14 University of Texas at Arlington has provided its students with a 15 strong foundation for achievement, and in so doing, it has played a 16 significant role in fostering economic development and enhancing 17 the quality of life in the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas 19 Legislature hereby recognize March 22, 2023, as The University of 20 Texas at Arlington Day at the State Capitol and extend a warm 21 welcome to the visiting delegation.

> Turner Cook Bhojani Tinderholt Collier

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 454 was adopted by the House on March 16, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House