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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Members of the Texas section of the United States
Tennis Association are visiting Austin on May 9, 2023, to celebrate
USTA Texas Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1895, USTA Texas is a nonprofit volunteer organization composed of more than 50,000 individual members and over 500 organizational members, and it features programs for beginning, recreational, and competitive juniors, as well as for adults and seniors; and

WHEREAS, As part of the USTA National Junior Tennis and 9 Learning network, the state section helps promote the health, 10 11 social, and educational benefits of tennis through a variety of 12 youth programs; among those are Play Days, which is designed to introduce youngsters to competitive tennis in a low-pressure 13 14 setting, and Hot Shots, which helps instill such values as teamwork and sportsmanship by offering organized match play in a team 15 16 setting; and

WHEREAS, Through USTA Texas and the state's physical 17 18 education curriculum, teachers and coaches receive lesson plans, training, and equipment to help them include tennis in their 19 20 school's athletic program, thereby introducing the sport to 21 hundreds of thousands of young Texans; committed to making tennis available to all children who want to play, including those with 22 23 intellectual or physical disabilities, USTA Texas supports and promotes adaptive and wheelchair tennis programs 24 through

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1 education, training, and grant funding; and

WHEREAS, USTA declared the month of May as National Tennis 2 3 Month to promote local tennis programs and activities, to showcase the sport and its benefits, and to help players and nonplayers alike 4 5 find opportunities to participate, and by increasing the accessibility of tennis to individuals of all ages and backgrounds, 6 7 USTA Texas is helping attract and engage a new and diverse community 8 of tennis players and fans; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas 10 Legislature hereby recognize May 9, 2023, as USTA Texas Day at the 11 State Capitol and extend to all those affiliated with the 12 organization sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 14 prepared for USTA Texas as an expression of high regard by the Texas 15 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1604 was adopted by the House on May 19, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House