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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A delegation from The University of Texas at  
2 San Antonio is visiting Austin on February 22, 2023, for UTSA Day at  
3 the State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Established in 1969, UTSA first opened its doors in  
5 1973 with around 650 students enrolled at the graduate level; the  
6 university has since grown significantly, with campuses throughout  
7 San Antonio and a robust online-learning program; UTSA currently  
8 serves more than 34,000 students of diverse backgrounds, nearly  
9 half of whom are the first in their families to attend college; it  
10 has also led the way in Latino student success, earning a Seal of  
11 *Excelencia* from *Excelencia* in Education; and

12 WHEREAS, Among the top four percent of research universities  
13 in the nation, UTSA holds a Tier 1 status from the Carnegie  
14 Classification of Institutions of Higher Education; faculty  
15 researchers from the university have secured more than 390 research  
16 awards totaling over \$100 million; in addition to expanding  
17 discovery activities, those awards have furthered collaboration  
18 between faculty researchers and partners across the nation and  
19 provided students with exceptional learning opportunities;  
20 moreover, the university has partnered with UT Health San Antonio  
21 to advance biomedical research through the San Antonio Life  
22 Sciences Institute; and

23 WHEREAS, UTSA also received three National Centers of  
24 Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity recognitions from the

1 National Security Agency; boasting one of the largest  
2 government-university-industry cybersecurity ecosystems in the  
3 nation, UTSA is home to the National Security Collaboration Center,  
4 the Cybersecurity Manufacturing Innovation Institute, and the  
5 School of Data Science, the first of its kind in Texas; and

6 WHEREAS, An engine of social and economic prosperity, UTSA  
7 has graduated nearly 35,000 students in the last five years; the  
8 school continues to increase its enrollment, and its predicted  
9 growth will serve to prepare even more Texans for the workforce; and

10 WHEREAS, Since its founding, The University of Texas at  
11 San Antonio has provided its students with a strong foundation for  
12 achievement, and in so doing, it has played a significant role in  
13 enhancing the quality of life in the Lone Star State; now,  
14 therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature  
16 hereby recognize February 22, 2023, as UTSA Day at the State Capitol  
17 and extend to all those associated with the institution sincere  
18 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
20 prepared for The University of Texas at San Antonio as an expression  
21 of high regard by the Texas Senate.