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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The commemoration of Library Day in the State of
2 Texas provides a welcome opportunity to recognize public libraries
3 for their many contributions to their communities; and

4 WHEREAS, The oldest continuously operating library in the
5 state, the Dr. Eugene Clark Library in Lockhart was named for a
6 Central Texas physician and opened in July 1900; today, there are
7 some 870 public libraries throughout the state; and

8 WHEREAS, Libraries are vital institutions that provide a wide
9 variety of services and programs to citizens of all ages; in
10 addition, librarians often work with school boards and local
11 officials to curate collections that reflect the interests and
12 needs of their communities; and

13 WHEREAS, By offering a diverse range of books and other
14 media, libraries give patrons the opportunity to explore different
15 perspectives, to become more empathetic toward other lived
16 experiences, and to celebrate imagination and creativity; and

17 WHEREAS, Public libraries have been a source of
18 enlightenment, entertainment, and inspiration for generations of
19 Texans, and it is a privilege to join in recognizing these
20 outstanding cultural institutions for the central role they play in
21 their communities; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature
23 hereby commemorate Library Day and extend to librarians across the
24 state sincere best wishes for continued success with their

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1 important work.