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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Citizens across the nation were deeply saddened by  
2 the tragic events of July 4, 2025, when catastrophic floods ravaged  
3 the Texas Hill Country and claimed the lives of more than 135  
4 people; and

5 WHEREAS, The disaster occurred when multiple weather systems  
6 converged, bringing intense rainfall to Central Texas and causing  
7 the Guadalupe River to overflow in the early morning of July 4; in  
8 hard-hit Kerr County, the river surged more than 26 feet in 45  
9 minutes, leaving homeowners, campers, and vacationers with little  
10 time to evacuate to higher ground; and

11 WHEREAS, Residents near the river woke in the night to the  
12 shock of floodwaters overtaking their homes, with the fast-moving  
13 current sweeping through neighborhoods and campsites, dragging  
14 away vehicles, and threatening the lives of anyone in its path; in  
15 the days that have followed, rescuers have set out in boats and  
16 helicopters, and volunteers from across the state and country have  
17 combed through debris-strewn riverbanks in a desperate search for  
18 the missing; as the world looked on, stories of both heartbreak and  
19 heroism have been brought to light, underscoring the depth of this  
20 tragedy and the enduring resilience of the Texans affected; and

21 WHEREAS, With more than 135 lives lost, including 108 in Kerr  
22 County alone, and two individuals still unaccounted for, the July  
23 2025 Central Texas storms stand among the deadliest flooding events  
24 in the United States in the past century; devastatingly, the death

1 toll includes a disproportionate number of children, some of whom  
2 were attending summer camps and vacationing with loved ones along  
3 the river when the disaster unfolded; also among those who perished  
4 were parents, siblings, grandparents, and friends, whose absence  
5 leaves an immeasurable void in their families and communities; and

6 WHEREAS, Each life lost in the 2025 Hill Country floods  
7 represents a story that deserves to be honored and remembered, and  
8 the thoughts and prayers of all Texans are with those touched by  
9 this profound tragedy; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas,  
11 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory of the victims  
12 of the July 2025 Hill Country floods and offer heartfelt  
13 condolences to the families, friends, and neighbors who are  
14 mourning in the wake of the disaster.