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H.C.R. No. 8

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The catastrophic flooding in the Hill Country on
2 July 4, 2025, claimed the lives of more than 100 people; and

3 WHEREAS, One of the deadliest natural disasters in Texas
4 history, the flood occurred when summer humidity from the Gulf of
5 Mexico combined with tropical moisture remaining from two distant
6 storms, Hurricane Flossie in the Pacific Ocean and Tropical Storm
7 Barry in the Atlantic; a low pressure cell stalled out overnight,
8 pouring down 12 inches of rain, nearly double the volume of water
9 that flows over Niagara Falls in an entire day; and

10 WHEREAS, The Hill Country's steep terrain and rocky soil,
11 parched by a long drought, could absorb little of the torrent; the
12 Guadalupe River rose 27 feet in 45 minutes, sending a raging wall of
13 water towards people sleeping in cabins, tents, and RVs on lower
14 ground; rescuers were unable to reach scores of the endangered in
15 time, and among the fatalities were more than two dozen girls at
16 Camp Mystic, some as young as eight years old; and

17 WHEREAS, Across the state, Texans are mourning the terrible
18 loss of life, and it is fitting to acknowledge the inconsolable
19 sorrow of the survivors and the collective grief experienced by the
20 entire nation in the wake of this immense tragedy; now, therefore,
21 be it

22 RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas,
23 1st Called Session, hereby call for construction of a monument in
24 the Texas State Cemetery in remembrance of those who perished in the

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1 July 4, 2025, Hill Country flood; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward official
3 copies of this resolution to the Texas State Cemetery Committee and
4 the State Preservation Board.