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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, People from across the State of Texas were deeply
2 saddened by the tragic events of June 11 and 12, 2025, when
3 catastrophic flooding in San Antonio claimed the lives of 13
4 residents; and

5 WHEREAS, As storms produced widespread flash flooding in the
6 San Antonio area and unleashed more than six inches of rain in just
7 a few hours, high water flooding occurred on the lower level of
8 Interstate 35 and on many other roads; at approximately 4:15 a.m.
9 on June 12, first responders began receiving calls about
10 individuals stranded on the Loop 410 frontage road near Perrin
11 Beitel Road, where a wall of water swept more than a dozen vehicles
12 into Beitel Creek and where 11 of the 13 victims were killed; the
13 other two victims were found near Leon Creek and U.S. Highway 90 as
14 well as several miles upstream; volunteers joined the San Antonio
15 Fire and Police Departments and Texas A&M Task Force 1, a statewide
16 urban search and rescue team, in conducting extensive rescue
17 operations; and

18 WHEREAS, This heartbreaking incident led to the passing of
19 Esther Chung, age 77; Derwin Anderson, age 43; Martha De La Torre
20 Rangel, age 55, and her son, Josue Pina De La Torre, age 28; Victor
21 Manuel Macias Castro, age 28; Rudy Garza, age 61; Cristine
22 Gonzalez, age 29; Stevie Richards, age 42; Andrew Sanchez, age 60;
23 Matthew Tufono, age 51; Brett Riley, age 63; Carlos Valdez III, age
24 67; and Roseann Cobb, age 41; and

1 WHEREAS, The citizens of San Antonio have exhibited
2 tremendous resilience, unity, and compassion in the wake of this
3 profound tragedy, coming together to offer support and comfort to
4 those grieving the loss of loved ones; through their combined
5 efforts, state lawmakers and community leaders are honoring the
6 legacy of the flood victims while demonstrating a renewed
7 commitment to preventing such disasters from ever taking place
8 again; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
10 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the lives of
11 the 13 victims of the deadly flooding event that occurred in San
12 Antonio on June 11 and 12, 2025, and offer heartfelt condolences to
13 their families and friends who carry on their memories.