

1-1 By: Lopez of Cameron H.C.R. No. 111  
1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Hinojosa of Nueces)  
1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 19, 2025;  
1-4 May 21, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-5 Administration; May 27, 2025, reported favorably by the following  
1-6 vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 27, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Hall	X			
1-10	Hinojosa of Nueces	X			
1-11	Cook	X			
1-12	Eckhardt	X			
1-13	Kolkhorst	X			
1-14	Menéndez	X			
1-15	Middleton			X	

1-16 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1-17 WHEREAS, Combes, Texas, is a small but vibrant community  
1-18 situated on Business U.S. Highway 77 and State Highway 107,  
1-19 bordering Harlingen in northwestern Cameron County, and the town's  
1-20 historical and agricultural roots are deep and intertwined with the  
1-21 land; and

1-22 WHEREAS, The town was originally established as the  
1-23 headquarters for the Combes Ranch, founded by Charles B. Combes, a  
1-24 settler from Kentucky, and it has evolved from a modest rural  
1-25 settlement into a thriving community with a population of over  
1-26 2,500 residents; and

1-27 WHEREAS, The region surrounding Combes has long been known  
1-28 for its agricultural richness, and beekeeping has played a  
1-29 significant role in the area's economy and ecosystem, helping to  
1-30 sustain the local agricultural industry through vital pollination  
1-31 services; and

1-32 WHEREAS, In recent years, Combes has embraced its role as a  
1-33 center for beekeeping, with local businesses and residents  
1-34 supporting the growing interest in apiaries, honey production, and  
1-35 pollinator conservation; the town has garnered attention as a hub  
1-36 for beekeeping in the Rio Grande Valley, with local efforts to  
1-37 relocate and protect bees, contributing to both environmental  
1-38 sustainability and the local economy; and

1-39 WHEREAS, The presence of beekeeping operations and the active  
1-40 preservation of bees has not only elevated Combes' agricultural  
1-41 prominence but also fostered a growing cultural appreciation for  
1-42 the important role bees play in our environment and food systems;  
1-43 and

1-44 WHEREAS, The people of Combes have come to take immense pride  
1-45 in their town's role as a leading center for beekeeping and honey  
1-46 production, with the town's history, culture, and future closely  
1-47 tied to these industrious pollinators; now, therefore, be it

1-48 RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas  
1-49 hereby designate Combes as the official "Bee Capital of Texas";  
1-50 and, be it further

1-51 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section  
1-52 391.003(e), Government Code, this designation remain in effect  
1-53 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is finally  
1-54 passed by the legislature.

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