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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The celebration of The University of Texas at 2 Arlington Day at the State Capitol on April 17, 2025, provides a 3 fitting opportunity to recognize this notable institution; and WHEREAS, UTA traces its history to 1895, when Arlington 4 5 College was established as a private school for area youth; the campus was converted into Carlisle Military Academy in 1902 and was 6 7 subsequently known as Arlington Training School and then Arlington Military Academy; in 1917, the 35th Texas Legislature created a new 8 9 junior college at the site, Grubbs Vocational College, which was a branch of what is now The Texas A&M University System; the campus 10 11 eventually became North Texas Junior Agricultural College and later 12 Arlington State College, and in 1965, it was transferred to The University of Texas System; it adopted its current name in 1967; and 13 14 WHEREAS, Today, UTA is the second-largest university in the UT System, boasting an enrollment of more than 41,000 students and 15 offering over 180 baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral degree 16 programs; each year, the university and its alumni contribute 17 18 \$28.8 billion in economic impact; and WHEREAS, UTA encompasses nine colleges, which provide 19 courses in such critical fields as public health, elder care, 20 21 nursing, construction management, big data analytics, special education, and engineering; in addition, the institution promotes 22 23 educational and workforce development at its Fort Worth Center and 24 its Research Institute; on April 3, 2025, it commemorated the

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- 1 groundbreaking of its new UTA West campus; and
- WHEREAS, A world-class research university, its projects
- 3 contributed \$59 million to the national economy in 2024; UTA has
- 4 been ranked as the ninth fastest-growing doctoral public
- 5 institution in the United States, and it holds an R1 designation
- 6 from the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher
- 7 Education; the university has also been designated as a
- 8 Hispanic-Serving Institution as well as an Asian American and
- 9 Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution by the U.S.
- 10 Department of Education; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Over the past 130 years, The University of Texas at
- 12 Arlington has provided its students with a strong foundation for
- 13 achievement, and in so doing, it has played a significant role in
- 14 fostering economic development and enhancing the quality of life in
- 15 the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
- 17 Legislature hereby recognize April 17, 2025, as The University of
- 18 Texas at Arlington Day at the State Capitol and extend to the
- 19 visiting delegation sincere best wishes for a meaningful and
- 20 memorable stay in Austin.