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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Jocelyn Nungaray National Wildlife Refuge,  
2 situated on the Texas Gulf Coast east of Houston, was officially  
3 dedicated at a ceremony held on April 24, 2025; and

4 WHEREAS, In June 2024, Jocelyn Nungaray tragically lost her  
5 life at the age of 12; following an executive order issued by  
6 President Donald J. Trump, U.S. Secretary of the Interior Doug  
7 Burgum signed a secretary's order on March 10, 2025, renaming the  
8 Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge to the Jocelyn Nungaray National  
9 Wildlife Refuge in honor of the young girl; and

10 WHEREAS, Known for her kindness, generosity, and love of  
11 nature, Jocelyn Nungaray often brought home stray or injured  
12 animals in order to provide them with a sanctuary; the renaming of  
13 the 39,000-acre refuge, which supports a wide variety of birds,  
14 mammals, amphibians, and insects, pays tribute to Jocelyn's  
15 compassion for all living beings; and

16 WHEREAS, While the life of Jocelyn Nungaray ended far too  
17 soon, her spirit will forever live on through the legacy of  
18 conservation at the Jocelyn Nungaray National Wildlife Refuge; now,  
19 therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas  
21 Legislature hereby commemorate the dedication of the Jocelyn  
22 Nungaray National Wildlife Refuge.