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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Round Rock Ballet Folklórico celebrated the 10th
2 anniversary of its Día de Los Muertos performances in 2024, and this
3 occasion provides a welcome opportunity to honor this respected
4 arts group; and

5 WHEREAS, El Día de los Muertos, or the Day of the Dead, is a
6 traditional Mexican holiday observed November 1 and 2; a blend of
7 Mesoamerican ritual, European religion, and Spanish culture, the
8 holiday has roots that go back 3,000 years, to the ancient cultures
9 of the Aztecs and other peoples of pre-Columbian America; it is a
10 time to recognize death as a natural part of the cycle of life, and
11 festivities often include facial makeup, costumes, and revelry; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1988, Yolanda Sanchez founded Round Rock Ballet
13 Folklórico to provide the community with the opportunity to both
14 learn about Mexican culture and grow through the practice of dance;
15 over the course of three and a half decades, the group has come to
16 encompass more than 100 members from a wide range of backgrounds;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Each year, Round Rock Ballet Folklórico partners
19 with the Williamson County Hispanic Heritage Committee, the City of
20 Round Rock, and Univision to honor Día de los Muertos with a
21 procession and festival; members of the group perform traditional
22 dances at the event, which also features live music, arts and
23 crafts, and an altar decoration contest; and

24 WHEREAS, Round Rock Ballet Folklórico greatly enhances the

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1 vibrant cultural life of Central Texas, and it is indeed deserving
2 of recognition for its contributions; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
4 Legislature hereby commemorate the 10th anniversary of the Día de
5 Los Muertos performances by Round Rock Ballet Folklórico and extend
6 to the organization's members sincere best wishes for the future;
7 and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
9 prepared for the group as an expression of high regard by the Texas
10 House of Representatives.