SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 69

WHEREAS, For nearly three decades, Taek and Nancy Kim have been the owners of the Pulga de Alamo, one of the largest and busiest flea markets in the Rio Grande Valley; and

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WHEREAS, In 1996, Mr. and Mrs. Kim purchased the Pulga de
Alamo, which spanned 28 acres at the time, and its structures
were dated; over the years, they worked to expand the market to
its current size of more than 70 acres, and with its estimated
1,500 vendors, the shopping destination generates hundreds of
jobs annually; and

WHEREAS, The pulga, the Spanish word for "flea," has also become a one-of-a-kind dance hall; on the weekends, its main floor, known as El Domo, is filled with dancers in unique attire who draw people in from near and far to see the spectacle; amassing hundreds of thousands of followers on social media, the dancers and the market alike are now a viral sensation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kim, who is an immigrant from South Korea, and Mrs. Kim, who is Mexican American, both grew up in the Rio Grande Valley, and as children they each frequented local flea markets to sell various items; the couple owned the Mercedes Flea Market prior to purchasing the Pulga de Alamo, and these lifelong experiences have given them the vision to grow the *pulga* to where it is today; and

WHEREAS, Through their hard work and dedication, Taek and Nancy Kim have transformed the Pulga de Alamo into a renowned center for commerce and culture in the Rio Grande Valley, and they are indeed deserving of recognition for all that they have achieved; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby congratulate Taek and Nancy Kim on their 29 years as the owners of the Pulga de Alamo and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Kim as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Hinojosa of Nueces

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 12, 2025.

Secretary of the Senate