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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, On February 5, 2025, representatives from Dallas
2 County arts organizations will attend the annual Texas Arts
3 Advocacy Day at the State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Hosted by Texans for the Arts Foundation, Texas Arts
5 Advocacy Day is an opportunity for artists, creative industry
6 leaders, administrators, and educators to join together to champion
7 strong public policies for the arts; and

8 WHEREAS, Home to a thriving arts community, Dallas boasts
9 three Texas Cultural Districts as designated by the Texas
10 Commission on the Arts: Fair Park, Deep Ellum, and the Dallas Arts
11 District, which is the nation's largest contiguous urban arts
12 district; among its many cultural institutions are the Dallas
13 Museum of Art, the Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center, the Music
14 Hall at Fair Park, and the Latino Cultural Center; the AT&T
15 Performing Arts Center is another important hub of activity,
16 encompassing three exceptional performance venues: the Winspear
17 Opera House, Wyly Theatre, and Strauss Square; and

18 WHEREAS, The City of Irving makes a notable contribution to
19 the area's arts offerings and benefits from a wealth of
20 organizations, including the Irving Black Arts Council and the
21 Irving Arts Center, which hosts performances, art exhibits, and
22 other activities; moreover, the city counts the Irving Symphony
23 Orchestra and the New Philharmonic Orchestra of Irving among its
24 performing ensembles; and

1 WHEREAS, In addition to enriching the quality of life for
2 residents, the arts industry in Dallas County supports thousands of
3 jobs, promotes tourism, and makes a significant impact on the local
4 economy; and

5 WHEREAS, Arts organizations elevate a city's vibrant
6 cultural life, and their vital role in the prosperity of the region
7 is indeed worthy of special recognition; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 89th Texas Legislature
9 hereby recognize the arts organizations of Dallas County on the
10 occasion of Texas Arts Advocacy Day and extend to the visiting
11 delegation sincere best wishes for a meaningful and memorable trip
12 to Austin.