

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 168

**WHEREAS**, Representatives of the City of Allen, the Allen Fairview Chamber of Commerce, and the Allen Independent School District are gathering in Austin on February 26-27, 2025, to celebrate Allen Days at the State Capitol; and

**WHEREAS**, Located in southwestern Collin County, Allen was officially established in 1870 and today is a vibrant and diverse community with a population of more than 100,000 people; the city and its residents currently benefit from the outstanding leadership of Mayor Baine Brooks, the six members of the city council, Mayor Pro Tem Ben Trahan, Michael Schaeffer, Tommy Baril, Ken Cook, Chris Schulmeister, and Carl Clemencich, and the members of the city manager's office, city manager Eric Ellwanger, deputy city manager Eric Strong, and assistant city managers Rebecca Vice and Tim Dentler; and

**WHEREAS**, Contributing greatly to the city's success is the Allen Fairview Chamber of Commerce, which is committed to supporting economic growth through advocacy, education, and collaboration; the association is guided by CEO Kyle Jacobson, membership director Saundra Midkiff, finance director Karen Simpson, programming and marketing director Tracy Walker, and engagement and retention director Emily Strickland; and

**WHEREAS**, The Allen community is further served by the award-winning Allen Independent School District, which is tasked with preparing more than 21,000 young Texans for the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead; Allen ISD is ably led by superintendent Dr. Robin Bullock and a dedicated board of trustees; and

**WHEREAS**, Allen has established itself as an outstanding place to live and work, and leaders of the City of Allen, the Allen Fairview Chamber of Commerce, and the Allen Independent School District are helping to build an even brighter and more prosperous future for their thriving community; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby recognize representatives of the City of Allen, the Allen Fairview Chamber of Commerce, and the Allen Independent School District on the occasion of Allen Days at the State Capitol on February 26-27, 2025, and extend a warm welcome to the visiting delegation.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 27, 2025.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate