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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The University of Texas at San Antonio has earned
2 distinction for its nationally recognized cybersecurity programs;
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4 WHEREAS, Situated in a region with the largest concentration
5 of cybersecurity professionals outside of Washington, D.C., UTSA
6 offers 20 top-ranked undergraduate, graduate, and certificate
7 degree programs in cybersecurity and data sciences, with more than
8 4,000 students enrolled in these programs; moreover, the university
9 is building the state's first school of data science in an effort to
10 meet the country's growing demand for information security analysts
11 and to produce the nation's top research and workforce talent in
12 data analytics, business intelligence, and cybersecurity; and

13 WHEREAS, UTSA has created a collaborative
14 government-university-industry ecosystem in San Antonio through
15 its new National Security Collaboration Center, the first of its
16 kind in Texas; through the NSCC, the school has established
17 important partnerships with the National Security Agency, the
18 Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Energy, the
19 Federal Bureau of Investigation, and other government and military
20 organizations; UTSA is also working with the Texas Department of
21 Information Resources to help local government agencies improve
22 their ability to respond to cybersecurity events, and it will
23 create and operate the Texas Information Sharing and Analysis
24 Organization to aid counties and communities in early detection and

1 coordination of response to cybersecurity attacks; and

2 WHEREAS, Designated by the Texas Legislature as an emerging
3 research university, UTSA has also been named a Center of Academic
4 Excellence by the NSA, and it is on the fast track to attaining
5 National Research University Fund eligibility and the highest
6 research designation by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement
7 of Teaching; and

8 WHEREAS, Home to one of the best cybersecurity programs in
9 the country, The University of Texas at San Antonio is training a
10 skilled workforce for a dynamic, high-demand industry and helping
11 to create a safer and more resilient cyber environment in Texas and
12 beyond; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
14 Legislature hereby recognize The University of Texas at San Antonio
15 for its leadership in the field of cybersecurity and extend to all
16 those associated with the institution sincere best wishes for
17 continued success; and, be it further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
19 prepared for the university as an expression of high regard by the
20 Texas House of Representatives.