

Senate Resolution 405

By: Senators Mangham of the 55th, Jones of the 10th, Anderson of the 43rd, Jackson of the 41st, Wicks of the 34th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Arabia Mountain Vineyard; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Arabia Mountain Vineyard is a vibrant agritourism destination and
3 multipurpose venue where entertainment, recreation, and education come to life; and
- 4 WHEREAS, rooted in environmental stewardship and economic empowerment, Arabia
5 Mountain Vineyard provides hands-on learning, workforce development, and opportunities
6 for small businesses and local entrepreneurs to flourish; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the vineyard actively supports local schools, charities, and cultural events,
8 enhancing the lives of residents of DeKalb, Rockdale, and Henry counties; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Arabia Mountain Vineyard has introduced more than 1,500 students to hands-
10 on agricultural experiences, inspiring future generations of agriculturalists and environmental
11 stewards as well as fostering a love for the environment, sustainable farming, and
12 horticulture; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the vineyard stimulates the local economy by providing opportunities in
14 agriculture, hospitality, and event planning as well as by serving as a training ground for

15 landscaping and botanical expertise, furthering participants' career readiness and education
16 in fields of landscaping and viticulture; and

17 WHEREAS, by prioritizing organic farming, Arabia Mountain Vineyard has reduced
18 pesticide waste by 90 percent, significantly improving soil health, water quality, and
19 biodiversity; and

20 WHEREAS, vineyards can sequester up to 1.5 metric tons of carbon per acre annually,
21 contributing to climate change mitigation and clean air for local communities; and

22 WHEREAS, Arabia Mountain Vineyard's cover crops improve soil fertility, reduce erosion,
23 enhance water retention, and foster an environment where native species thrive; and

24 WHEREAS, as Arabia Mountain Vineyard contributes significantly to the educational
25 enrichment, economic empowerment, and cultural preservation of the DeKalb, Rockdale, and
26 Henry counties it is abundantly fitting and proper that its contributions are honored; and

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
28 recognize Arabia Mountain Vineyard for cultivating a lasting legacy of growth and
29 prosperity that blends nature, culture, and community.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
31 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Arabia Mountain
32 Vineyard.