

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 357

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the City of Florence, which is the location of the prehistoric Gault Site; and

WHEREAS, Florence is home to the Gault Archaeological Site, which contains artifacts that have been scientifically dated to an era from between 16,000 and 20,000 years ago; in addition, the 23 archaeological cultures identified at the Gault Site indicate a nearly continuous human occupation; and

WHEREAS, The area features ideal conditions for human habitation, including abundant water sources, an ecotone capable of supporting plentiful food resources, and large amounts of Edwards chert for toolmaking and trade; and

WHEREAS, The Gault Site is one of the oldest archaeological sites in North America and one of the few that has been associated with a community; and

WHEREAS, The people of Florence are justifiably proud of the historic nature of the Gault Archaeological Site, and it is truly fitting that they receive special recognition for their stewardship of this significant setting; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby recognize the City of Florence as the location of an archaeological treasure dating back to 20,000 years ago; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the city as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Schwertner

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 4, 2021.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate