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H.C.R. No. 83

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Floresville is situated 30 miles southeast of San
2 Antonio on land that was once occupied by Spanish settlers, who
3 established missions and ranches along the San Antonio River and
4 created supply routes leading to the Gulf Coast; formerly known as
5 Lodi, it was founded in 1867 and named after Don Francisco Flores de
6 Abrego, an immigrant from the Canary Islands who operated a ranch
7 outside of the town during the 18th century; in 1873, voters
8 approved the decision to make Floresville the Wilson County seat,
9 and it was incorporated in 1890; and

10 WHEREAS, During the late 19th and early 20th centuries, the
11 city enjoyed a period of rapid growth with the arrival of the San
12 Antonio and Aransas Pass Railway and the success of the local cotton
13 and livestock industries; around 1915, peanuts emerged as a cash
14 crop in the region, leading residents to dub Floresville the
15 "Peanut Capital of Texas"; and

16 WHEREAS, Today, Floresville serves as a market center for
17 peanut and grain farmers and cattle ranchers; with a population of
18 around 7,500 people, it provides residents with a more relaxed,
19 small-town lifestyle, while still being within commuting distance
20 of San Antonio; since 1938, the city has hosted the annual Peanut
21 Festival, which attracts more than 10,000 attendees and features
22 parades, pageants, and myriad other activities; and

23 WHEREAS, Floresville is home to hardworking and enterprising
24 citizens who are committed to building an even brighter future for

1 their community, and it is indeed fitting that their history and
2 achievements be recognized; now, therefore, be it;

3 RESOLVED, That the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas
4 hereby designate Floresville as the official Peanut Capital of
5 Texas; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section
7 [391.003\(e\)](#), Government Code, this designation remain in effect
8 until the 10th anniversary of its designation.