

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Community leaders from Balch Springs are gathering
2 in Austin on April 26, 2023, to celebrate Balch Springs Day at the
3 State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Located in Dallas County, the town traces its
5 history to the 1870s, when John Balch, who had fought for the
6 independence of Texas at the Battle of San Jacinto and other
7 engagements, settled in the area with his family; his land
8 contained a permanent spring that became a gathering place for
9 nearby residents, and the settlement that took shape over the
10 following decades was named for him and this important water
11 source; and

12 WHEREAS, Balch Springs is a home-rule city that was
13 incorporated in 1953, when approximately 3,000 people lived there;
14 the population rose in the decades that followed, with an
15 increasing number of manufacturing companies and other businesses
16 opening their doors; and

17 WHEREAS, Today, this bustling city is home to more than
18 27,000 people and serves as a southeastern gateway to the
19 Metroplex; it offers convenient access to the surrounding area as
20 well as to major interstate and international transportation
21 routes, and its location, combined with its forward-looking civic
22 leadership and productive workforce, has attracted numerous
23 companies, including a number of firms in the telecommunications
24 industry; and

1 WHEREAS, Quality of life is another factor in the city's
2 growth, and numerous residents have been drawn by its thriving
3 community atmosphere, highly regarded schools, and myriad options
4 for housing, entertainment, culture, and recreation, which include
5 a library and learning center, the DD Ranch Event Center, the
6 Baseball Nation Ballpark South, and the Premier Park soccer fields;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Balch Springs offers an inviting mixture of
9 small-town charm and big-city amenities, and its citizens may
10 indeed take great pride in their community's ongoing achievements;
11 now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
13 Legislature hereby recognize April 26, 2023, as Balch Springs Day
14 at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere
15 best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin.

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Phelan	Guerra	Murr
Allen	Guillen	Neave Criado
Allison	Harless	Noble
Anchía	Harris of Anderson	Oliverson
Anderson	Harris of Williamson	Ordaz
Ashby	Harrison	Orr
Bailes	Hayes	Ortega
Bell of Kaufman	Hefner	Patterson
Bell of Montgomery	Hernandez	Paul
Bernal	Herrero	Perez
Bhojani	Hinojosa	Plesa
Bonnen	Holland	Price
Bowers	Howard	Ramos
Bryant	Hull	Raney
Buckley	Hunter	Raymond
Bucy	Isaac	Reynolds
Bumgarner	Jetton	Rogers
Burns	Johnson of Dallas	Romero, Jr.
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Cain	Jones of Dallas	Schaefer
Campos	Jones of Harris	Schatzline
Canales	Kacal	Schofield
Capriglione	King of Hemphill	Shaheen
Clardy	King of Uvalde	Sherman, Sr.
Cole	Kitzman	Shine
Collier	Klick	Slaton
Cook	Kuempel	Slawson
Cortez	Lalani	Smith
Craddick	Lambert	Smithee
Cunningham	Landgraf	Spiller
Darby	Leach	Stucky
Davis	Leo-Wilson	Swanson
Dean	Longoria	Talarico
DeAyala	Lopez of Bexar	Tepper
Dorazio	Lopez of Cameron	Thierry
Dutton	Lozano	Thimesch
Flores	Lujan	Thompson of Brazoria
Frank	Manuel	Thompson of Harris
Frazier	Martinez	Tinderholt
Gamez	Martinez Fischer	Toth
Garcia	Metcalf	Troxclair
Gates	Meyer	Turner
Gerdes	Meza	VanDeaver
Geren	Moody	Vasut
Gervin-Hawkins	Morales of Harris	Vo
Goldman	Morales of Maverick	Walle
González of Dallas	Morales Shaw	Wilson
González of El Paso	Morrison	Wu
Goodwin	Muñoz, Jr.	Zwiener

H.R. No. 1216

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1216 was adopted by the House on April 26, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House