By: Clardy H.R. No. 1786

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Carthage are celebrating the
- 2 175th anniversary of the founding of their community in 2023; and
- 3 WHEREAS, In 1848, the Panola County commissioners selected a
- 4 site for a permanent county seat at the geographic center of the
- 5 county, and Jonathan Anderson donated 100 acres of land for the new
- 6 town, which was named Carthage; a post office was established in
- 7 1849, and the same year, the first county courthouse was
- 8 constructed; in 1888, the Texas, Sabine Valley and Northwestern
- 9 railroad was extended to the community; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The town flourished, spurred by growth in the oil
- 11 and gas industry, and today, Carthage is a prospering community
- 12 that has earned accreditation from Main Street America for its
- 13 efforts in historic preservation and economic development;
- 14 residents and visitors alike enjoy such annual events as the
- 15 Potlatch art, food, and music festival, as well as a number of
- 16 scenic parks; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Working to preserve their town's rich history as
- 18 they build an even brighter future, the citizens of Carthage may
- 19 indeed take great pride in their community as they celebrate this
- 20 special milestone in its history; now, therefore, be it
- 21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 22 Legislature hereby commemorate the 175th anniversary of the City of
- 23 Carthage and extend to its residents sincere best wishes for the
- 24 future.