

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Kenedy are gathering on April 9, 2025,
2 to celebrate City of Kenedy Day at the State Capitol; and

3 WHEREAS, The town's modern-day site was bequeathed to Carlos
4 Martínez as part of a royal Spanish land grant in 1788; located
5 along the San Antonio and Aransas Pass Railway, the community was
6 established in 1886 as Kenedy Junction by chief SA&AP benefactor
7 Mifflin Kenedy; its post office opened in March 1887, and its name
8 was shortened to Kenedy three months later; and

9 WHEREAS, The town experienced significant growth as a trade
10 and business center during the railroad era, and it established a
11 depot, a cotton gin, and a number of newspapers; in 1894, the Kenedy
12 Independent School District was organized with 68 students, and the
13 town's first bank opened its doors nearly a decade later; in 1910,
14 the community was formally incorporated with a population of
15 approximately 1,150 residents; and

16 WHEREAS, Today, Kenedy remains an economic focal point for
17 Karnes County, which benefits from the farming, ranching, oil, gas,
18 and uranium industries; currently home to more than 3,400
19 residents, the self-proclaimed "flax capital of Texas" is centrally
20 located between the cities of San Antonio, Corpus Christi, and
21 Victoria, and it is at the epicenter of the Eagle Ford Shale; and

22 WHEREAS, Celebrating their rich history as they work to build
23 an even brighter future, residents of Kenedy are justifiably proud
24 of their community, and it is indeed fitting to recognize the city's

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1 contributions to the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
3 Legislature hereby recognize April 9, 2025, as City of Kenedy Day at
4 the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the visiting
5 delegation.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 760 was adopted by the House on April 17, 2025, by the following vote: Yeas 133, Nays 7, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House