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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Tarrant County in celebrating Tarrant County Days at the State Capitol on February 10 and 11, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Created in 1849, Tarrant County has a history rooted in the Old West, having served as the terminus point for cattle drives during the 19th century; the county was named after General Edward H. Tarrant, who commanded Republic of Texas militia forces at the Battle of Village Creek in 1841; and

WHEREAS, Tarrant County has evolved from a frontier community into a contemporary and cosmopolitan center for business, education, culture, and tourism; with more than two million people, it is the third most populous county in Texas; the county seat, Fort Worth, is the state's fourth-largest city, and other sizeable communities include Arlington, North Richland Hills, Euless, Bedford, and Keller; and

WHEREAS, Visitors from across the nation are drawn to such family-friendly attractions as Six Flags Over Texas and the Fort Worth Zoo, as well as to sporting events at Globe Life Field, Choctaw Stadium, and AT&T Stadium, which will host matches for the 2026 Fédération Internationale de Football Association World Cup; the county also has an international reputation for art and history due to the Kimbell Art Museum, the Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, the Amon Carter Museum of American Art, and the

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popular Fort Worth Stockyards National Historical District that celebrates the city's Western heritage; and

WHEREAS, Tarrant County is home to The University of Texas at Arlington, a Tier One university, and to The University of Texas at Arlington Research Institute, which plans to become a global leader in advanced manufacturing, medical technologies, applied robotics, and environmental engineering; young Texans in the county are served by the Arlington Independent School District and the Hurst-Euless-Bedford Independent School District, which together enroll nearly 80,000 students; and

WHEREAS, In Fort Worth, Texas Christian University continues to build on its long tradition of excellence, and The Texas A&M University System makes further investment in their downtown campus and School of Law; the University of North Texas Health Science Center is dedicated to improving health outcomes and workforce for Texans, while Tarrant County College offers residents outstanding and affordable educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Tarrant County has a diversified economy and benefits from the presence of such major employers as American Airlines, Lockheed Martin, and General Motors; the county's thriving business community is served by organizations and local chambers of commerce that work to promote economic growth and foster a supportive climate for business; and

WHEREAS, The citizens of Tarrant County continue to honor their rich and colorful history while building an even brighter future for the generations to come, and it is indeed fitting that

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the residents of Tarrant County receive special recognition on their achievements and their contributions to the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby join in celebrating February 10 and 11, 2025, as Tarrant County Days at the Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere best wishes for a productive and enjoyable visit to Austin; and, be it further

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