

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Texans are celebrating the sesquicentennial of the
2 founding of Hill County and the City of Hillsboro on March 5, 2003,
3 and such a joyous occasion is indeed worthy of special legislative
4 recognition; and

5 WHEREAS, Hill County was created from a western section of
6 Navarro County on February 7, 1853, and organized at Lexington on
7 Jack's Branch a few months later; its name pays tribute to Dr.
8 George Washington Hill, a former Indian agent, secretary of war and
9 secretary of marine in President Sam Houston's cabinet, and member
10 of the Third, Fourth, Fifth, and Seventh Congresses of the Republic
11 of Texas; and

12 WHEREAS, The foundation for a permanent county seat,
13 originally spelled Hillsborough, was laid in the fall of that same
14 year when the county commissioners court ordered the surveying and
15 platting of land donated for that purpose by Thomas M. Steiner, John
16 A. Caruthers, and Jonathan Newby; and

17 WHEREAS, Hill County and Hillsboro have long been identified
18 with the agribusiness that formed one of the bases of the state's
19 economy, and in recent years they have capitalized on their
20 favorable geographic location and natural and cultural resources to
21 generate a thriving local tourism industry; and

22 WHEREAS, The county's recreational and cultural
23 opportunities draw guests from throughout Texas and beyond to Lake
24 Whitney State Park and Aquilla Lake, the Confederate Museum, and

1 the Audie Murphy Gun Museum; in Hillsboro, visitors participate in
2 Hill College activities, admire a restored courthouse, and enhance
3 the local economy at antique malls and an outlet center; and

4 WHEREAS, Since their organization 150 years ago, Hill County
5 and the City of Hillsboro have been home to exceptional citizens who
6 remain justifiably proud of their role in the dramatic story of the
7 Lone Star State, and their contributions indeed merit our praise;
8 now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas
10 hereby commemorate the sesquicentennial of the founding of Hill
11 County and the City of Hillsboro, welcome the visiting delegation
12 to the State Capitol, and extend warmest wishes to all those
13 involved with this momentous event; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for the residents of Hillsboro and Hill County as an
16 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives and
17 Senate.

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Alonzo	Goolsby	Moreno of Harris
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Bonnen	Haggerty	Nixon
Branch	Hamilton	Noriega
Brown of Kaufman	Hamric	Oliveira
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Burnam	Harper-Brown	Paxton
Callegari	Hartnett	Pena
Campbell	Heflin	Phillips
Canales	Hegar	Pickett
Capelo	Hilderbran	Pitts
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Chisum	Homer	Raymond
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Cook of Navarro	Howard	Ritter
Cook of Colorado	Hughes	Rodriguez
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Elkins	Luna	Van Arsdale
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Farabee	Madden	West
Farrar	Marchant	Wilson
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Wise
Flynn	McCall	Wohlgemuth
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H.C.R. No. 61

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 61 was adopted by the House on March 5, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 61 was adopted by the Senate on March 5, 2003, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor