

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, On this day, February 27, 2003, many proud residents  
2 of Shelby County have traveled to Austin in celebration of Shelby  
3 County Day at the State Capitol, and their visit provides a fitting  
4 opportunity to reflect on the history and contributions of their  
5 fine community; and

6           WHEREAS, This lovely area was organized under the Mexican  
7 government as the Tenehaw Municipality; in 1836, the land was  
8 reconstituted by the Congress of the Republic of Texas as Shelby  
9 County, a tribute to Isaac Shelby, an American Revolutionary War  
10 hero, and the county's most important town, Nashville, was renamed  
11 Shelbyville; and

12           WHEREAS, Shelby County later moved its seat to the central  
13 part of the county and renamed the existing city as Center; still  
14 the county seat more than a century later, Center is home to the  
15 Shelby County Museum and the county courthouse, which is listed on  
16 the National Register of Historic Places and is the only Irish  
17 castle style courthouse remaining in the nation; Shelby Junior  
18 College is also located in Center; and

19           WHEREAS, Nestled deep in the East Texas Piney Woods, Shelby  
20 County is rich in natural resources; in addition to timber and  
21 cattle industries, the area's economy is strengthened by  
22 significant poultry production; and

23           WHEREAS, Residents of Shelby County should take great pride  
24 in the rich history of their county, and in light of their

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1 forward-thinking citizenry, they can look ahead to a bright and  
2 promising future as well; now, therefore, be it

3       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
4 Legislature hereby recognize February 27, 2003, as Shelby County  
5 Day at the State Capitol and extend sincere best wishes to all  
6 involved for an enjoyable stay in Austin.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 106 was adopted by the House on  
February 27, 2003, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House