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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

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.