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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, On February 19, 2003, many proud residents of
2 Comanche County are visiting Austin to celebrate Comanche County
3 Day at the State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Formed from Coryell and Bosque counties by the Texas
5 Legislature in 1856, Comanche County comprises more than 944 square
6 miles of rolling, hilly terrain and is named for the Comanche
7 Indians, whose territory once included the area; and

8 WHEREAS, The county has undergone many changes through the
9 years and now features an economy that revolves around dairies,
10 agribusiness, food processing, various manufacturing and industry,
11 and tourism; moreover, its fertile soil and climate make it a
12 leading producer of peanuts, pecans, watermelons, cantaloupes, and
13 milk; and

14 WHEREAS, Located approximately 70 miles southeast of
15 Abilene, Comanche serves as the county seat and is home to such
16 noteworthy attractions as the Fleming Oak, Comanche County
17 Historical Museum, and Old Cora, which is the oldest original
18 existing courthouse in Texas; other towns in the county include De
19 Leon, Energy, Gustine, Hasse, Proctor, and Sidney; and

20 WHEREAS, This geographically diverse region also offers
21 ample opportunities for fishing, boating, hunting, and a wide
22 variety of outdoor and water activities; in addition, the county
23 takes great pride in its storied history and enjoys upholding its
24 unique heritage with traditional events such as the livestock show,

1 peach and melon festival, rodeo, and Comanche Pow-Wow; and

2 WHEREAS, Residents and visitors can keep up with all the news
3 and events in the county and across the state through the *Comanche*
4 *Chief* newspaper, which began publishing in 1873 and holds the
5 singular distinction of being the county's oldest business
6 institution; and

7 WHEREAS, Comanche County recalls an era of simpler times and
8 wholesome values; today, the county has a population of more than
9 14,000 people and its citizens are readily embracing the myriad
10 challenges and opportunities of the future; and

11 WHEREAS, It is indeed appropriate that Comanche County and
12 its fine citizens be recognized for their contributions and
13 accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
15 Legislature hereby recognize February 19, 2003, as Comanche County
16 Day at the State Capitol and extend to its citizens sincere best
17 wishes for a memorable visit to Austin.