

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A delegation of proud Texans has traveled to Austin  
2 to celebrate Texas Panhandle Day at the State Capitol on February  
3 25, 2003; and

4           WHEREAS, Rich in history, this spectacular region of vast,  
5 scenic plains is known for its traditional ranch lands, high-plains  
6 agriculture, large stretches of oil and gas reserves, and major  
7 industry; and

8           WHEREAS, Outstanding attractions in the area include the  
9 Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, located on the campus of West  
10 Texas A&M University in Canyon; the largest history museum in the  
11 state, its exceptional collections and exhibits survey life on the  
12 Southern Great Plains over the course of the past 14,000 years; and

13           WHEREAS, Stretching through the heart of the Panhandle is  
14 Palo Duro Canyon, the second-largest canyon in the country, which  
15 boasts spectacular views and reveals, through its exposed strata, a  
16 geologic record spanning 250 million years; during the summer,  
17 visitors to Palo Duro can also enjoy outdoor drama that captures  
18 some of the state's epic heritage; and

19           WHEREAS, Amarillo, the region's principal city, is a dynamic  
20 urban center that affords a wide array of cultural amenities;  
21 contributing to Amarillo's economic vitality is a Bell Helicopter  
22 tilt-rotor assembly center as well as the only assembly/disassembly  
23 plant for the nation's nuclear weapons arsenal, a facility operated  
24 by BWXT Pantex for the U.S. Department of Energy's National Nuclear

1 Security Administration; and

2 WHEREAS, United States Air Force colonel Rick Husband,  
3 commander of Columbia Space Shuttle Mission STS-107, called  
4 Amarillo home, and his fellow Texans and all Americans stand united  
5 in profound gratitude for the inspiring example of his life and  
6 legacy; and

7 WHEREAS, More than 400,000 strong, Panhandle residents prize  
8 the myriad opportunities made possible by their modern cities and  
9 industry while continuing to cherish their region's enduring and  
10 majestic natural beauty; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
12 Legislature recognize February 25, 2003, as Texas Panhandle Day at  
13 the State Capitol and extend to all involved warmest best wishes for  
14 an enjoyable and memorable visit.

Swinford  
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Smithee

Craddick	Giddings	Merritt
Allen	Goodman	Miller
Alonzo	Goolsby	Moreno of Harris
Bailey	Griggs	Moreno of El Paso
Baxter	Grusendorf	Morrison
Berman	Guillen	Mowery
Bohac	Gutierrez	Naishtat
Bonnen	Haggerty	Nixon
Branch	Hamilton	Noriega
Brown of Kaufman	Hamric	Oliveira
Brown of Brazos	Hardcastle	Olivo
Burnam	Harper-Brown	Paxton
Callegari	Hartnett	Pena
Campbell	Heflin	Phillips
Canales	Hegar	Pickett
Capelo	Hilderbran	Pitts
Casteel	Hill	Puente
Castro	Hochberg	Quintanilla
Chavez	Hodge	Rangel
Chisum	Homer	Raymond
Christian	Hope	Reyna
Coleman	Hopson	Riddle
Cook of Navarro	Howard	Ritter
Cook of Colorado	Hughes	Rodriguez
Corte	Hunter	Rose
Crabb	Hupp	Seaman
Crownover	Isett	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Harris	Jones of Lubbock	Smith of Harris
Davis of Dallas	Jones of Bexar	Smithee
Dawson	Jones of Dallas	Solis
Delisi	Keel	Solomons
Denny	Keffer of Dallas	Stick
Deshotel	Keffer of Eastland	Swinford
Driver	King	Talton
Dukes	Kolkhorst	Taylor
Dunnam	Krusee	Telford
Dutton	Kuempel	Thompson
Edwards	Laney	Truitt
Eiland	Laubenberg	Turner
Eissler	Lewis	Uresti
Elkins	Luna	Van Arsdale
Ellis	Mabry	Villarreal
Farabee	Madden	West
Farrar	Marchant	Wilson
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Wise
Flynn	McCall	Wohlgemuth
Gallego	McClendon	Wolens
Garza	McReynolds	Wong
Gattis	Menendez	Woolley
Geren	Mercer	Zedler

H.R. No. 294

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 294 was adopted by the House on  
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Chief Clerk of the House