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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, On March 7, 2003, many proud residents from Hunt  
2 County are visiting Austin to celebrate Hunt County Day at the State  
3 Capitol; and

4           WHEREAS, Formed from Nacogdoches and Fannin counties in 1846,  
5 the county is named for Memucan Hunt, who was a prominent legislator  
6 and secretary of the Texas Navy and who became the first Texas  
7 minister to Washington; and

8           WHEREAS, While its rich blackland soil made it a good  
9 cotton-producing region, the county has undergone many changes  
10 through the years and now has a multifaceted economy that features  
11 manufacturing, agribusiness, education, and the tourism industry;  
12 Hunt County is home to several *Fortune 500* companies and many  
13 residents who commute to the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex; and

14           WHEREAS, Greenville serves as the county seat and has  
15 numerous attractions, such as the American Cotton Museum, the  
16 Garden of Peace, and Mathews Prairie Nature Preserve; and

17           WHEREAS, This geographically diverse region offers ample  
18 opportunities for fishing, boating, hunting, and a wide variety of  
19 other water and outdoor sports, and the county takes great pride in  
20 upholding its unique heritage with traditional events, including  
21 the annual Bois d'Arc Bash in Commerce and the Cotton Jubilee in  
22 Greenville; and

23           WHEREAS, Texas A&M University--Commerce is also located in  
24 Hunt County; an institution that is committed to academic

1 excellence, it received high marks in *U.S. News & World Report's*  
2 rankings of America's best colleges; and

3 WHEREAS, The county's people are readily embracing the myriad  
4 challenges and opportunities of the future while retaining their  
5 colorful history and rich culture; they have made significant  
6 contributions to the Lone Star State, and it is most appropriate to  
7 pay tribute to them at this time; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
9 Legislature hereby recognize March 7, 2003, as Hunt County Day at  
10 the State Capitol and extend to its residents sincere best wishes  
11 for the future.