

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The diverse transport modes of the Lone Star State
2 are necessary to successfully connect products with markets and
3 foreign commerce; highways, railways, waterways, and airways
4 remain in use every hour of every day, promoting Texas' economic
5 vitality, providing meaningful jobs, and enabling travel for
6 business or pleasure; and

7 WHEREAS, President John F. Kennedy declared the first
8 National Transportation Week in May 1962 as the result of
9 unyielding efforts made by Charlotte Jones Woods, the first
10 educational chair of the Women's Transportation Club of Houston
11 (WTCOH); and

12 WHEREAS, Mrs. Woods and the Women's Transportation Club of
13 Houston became diligent advocates for an observance of
14 transportation week in 1952, after scholarships offered by the
15 organization produced no applicants; realizing that the public
16 should be made aware of the wide range of opportunities available in
17 the flourishing transportation industry, Mrs. Woods and WTCOH began
18 a crusade to have a week designated in recognition of
19 transportation; and

20 WHEREAS, After establishing transportation week in 10 Texas
21 cities, Mrs. Woods was named director of Traffic Clubs
22 International, in which capacity she sought to achieve the same
23 goal at the national level; with the spirit of a true Texan, Mrs.
24 Woods overcame a series of obstacles on her crusade for the

1 establishment of a national transportation week, ultimately seeing
2 her dream realized after eight years; and

3 WHEREAS, Texas is among the states leading the nation in
4 street, highway, waterway, and railroad mileage, and the state's
5 transportation industry employs some 376,000 Texans, making it of
6 vital economic importance to our state; and

7 WHEREAS, Transportation has played a fundamental role in
8 Texas history and will surely be a critical aspect of our state's
9 future, and it is important to acknowledge the contributions of
10 this noteworthy industry at the statewide level; now, therefore, be
11 it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
13 Legislature hereby recognize May 11-17, 2003, as Transportation
14 Week in Texas, which is being held in conjunction with National
15 Transportation Week.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1182 was adopted by the House on May 23, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House