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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, On June 27-29, 2003, descendants of Lucille  
2 Christopher are gathering in Austin for their 30th annual family  
3 reunion; and

4           WHEREAS, Lucille Christopher was a slave born in Alabama who  
5 later lived in Texas; her son, Dennis, born in 1847, moved to Rusk  
6 with his family around the age of four and lived in Cherokee County  
7 until his death on February 27, 1933; he is buried in Henry Cemetery  
8 in Ponta; and

9           WHEREAS, Descendants of Dennis Christopher include 9  
10 children, 30 grandchildren, 75 great-grandchildren, 103  
11 great-great-grandchildren, 57 great-great-great-grandchildren,  
12 and 7 great-great-great-great-grandchildren; the 2003 meeting  
13 marks the first time the gathering has been held at a site other  
14 than Elm Grove in Cherokee County; last year it was decided that the  
15 family would meet in Elm Grove in even-numbered years, with an  
16 alternate location selected for reunions in odd-numbered years; and

17           WHEREAS, The Christopher Family Reunion will afford the  
18 relatives of Lucille and Dennis Christopher and their friends the  
19 opportunity to reflect on their family's distinctive legacy, pay  
20 tribute to those relatives who have passed on, and note the bonds  
21 that unite them today; and

22           WHEREAS, Through the years, the contributions made by members  
23 of the Christopher family have been interwoven in the compelling  
24 story of the Lone Star State, and it is indeed fitting that they be

1 acknowledged at this time; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
3 Legislature hereby recognize the Christopher family on the occasion  
4 of its 2003 reunion in Austin and extend to all participants warmest  
5 wishes for an enjoyable and memorable event.