

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The community of Escobares in Starr County has a
2 colorful history dating back to 1753, when Jose Miguel Antonio
3 Ramirez and Maria Rita Lopez de Jaen first arrived in the area and
4 petitioned the King of Spain for land in the area; and

5 WHEREAS, The King of Spain acquiesced to the request in 1767
6 and the grant for the area named Rancho Santa Getrudis was accepted
7 by Jose Maria Escobar y Rocha, the adopted son of Jose Miguel
8 Antonio Ramirez, and his wife, Maria Antonio Getrudis Chapa y Lopez
9 de Jaen, the daughter of Maria Rita Lopez de Jaen, in June of 1767
10 after both original applicants for the land grant died before it was
11 approved; and

12 WHEREAS, Rancho Santa Getrudis, designated as the porcion 76,
13 old jurisdiction of the Villa de Mier Nuevo Santander, Nueva
14 Espana, has been known by many names, as its inhabitants have lived
15 under six flags for over 250 years; those names include Rancho San
16 Antonio, Rancho Cacaruttas, Rancho San Jose, Rancho Capal, Rancho
17 Los Cueros, Rancho Escobares, the town of Escobares, and as of
18 October 22, 2005, the City of Escobares; and

19 WHEREAS, Escobares today has a population of over 2,000
20 citizens and is located between the Rio Grande and U.S. Highway 83,
21 a mile east of Roma-Los Saenz in south central Starr County, and has
22 expanded to fill the area between Roma and Garceño; it is in the
23 original Spanish land grants of the Mier jurisdiction given north
24 of the Rio Grande to José de Escandón's colonists in the mid-18th

1 century; and

2 WHEREAS, The citizens of Escobares have formed their new city
3 government and elected a mayor and board of aldermen to represent
4 the electorate and conduct the duties and requirements of municipal
5 government, including Mayor Noel Escobar and Aldermen Ricardo Pena,
6 Gloria E. Alvarez, Baldemar Escobar, Roberto Luis Naranjo, and
7 Delma Trevino; and

8 WHEREAS, Our fellow member of the Texas House of
9 Representatives, Juan Escobar, is a descendant of the founders of
10 current day Escobares; and

11 WHEREAS, The people of the City of Escobares, with great
12 pride in the continued growth and development of their community,
13 have set Saturday, May 20, 2006, as a day of celebration to rejoice
14 in their new status as a city under the laws of the State of Texas;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, The elected members of the city government will be
17 presented to the public on May 20, 2006, and there will be parades,
18 speeches, and many gatherings to observe the events of the day; now,
19 therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
21 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby salute the new elected
22 officials and the citizens of Escobares for their continuing
23 efforts to improve and develop their special part of the great State
24 of Texas.

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Escobar

Craddick	Giddings	McReynolds
Allen	Gonzales	Menendez
Alonzo	Gonzalez Toureilles	Merritt
Anchia	Goodman	Miller
Anderson	Goolsby	Moreno
Bailey	Griggs	Morrison
Berman	Grusendorf	Mowery
Blake	Guillen	Naishtat
Bohac	Haggerty	Nixon
Bonnen	Hamilton	Noriega
Branch	Hamric	Oliveira
Brown of Kaufman	Hardcastle	Olivo
Brown of Brazos	Harper-Brown	Orr
Burnam	Hartnett	Otto
Callegari	Hegar	Paxton
Campbell	Hernandez	Pena
Casteel	Herrero	Phillips
Castro	Hilderbran	Pickett
Chavez	Hill	Pitts
Chisum	Hochberg	Puente
Coleman	Hodge	Quintanilla
Cook of Navarro	Homer	Raymond
Cook of Colorado	Hope	Reyna
Corte	Hopson	Riddle
Crabb	Howard of Fort Bend	Ritter
Crownover	Howard of Travis	Rodriguez
Davis of Harris	Hughes	Rose
Davis of Dallas	Hunter	Seaman
Dawson	Hupp	Smith of Tarrant
Delisi	Isett	Smith of Harris
Denny	Jackson	Smithee
Deshotel	Jones of Lubbock	Solis
Driver	Jones of Dallas	Solomons
Dukes	Keel	Strama
Dunnam	Keffer of Dallas	Straus
Dutton	Keffer of Eastland	Swinford
Edwards	King of Parker	Talton
Eiland	King of Zavala	Taylor
Eissler	Kolkhorst	Thompson
Elkins	Krusee	Truitt
England	Kuempel	Turner
Escobar	Laney	Uresti
Farabee	Laubenberg	Van Arsdale
Farrar	Leibowitz	Veasey
Flores	Luna	Villarreal
Flynn	Madden	Vo
Frost	Martinez	West
Gallego	Martinez Fischer	Wong
Gattis	McCall	Woolley
Geren	McClendon	Zedler

H.R. No. 773

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 773 was adopted by the House on May 15, 2006, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House