

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 118

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas takes pleasure in recognizing the citizens of Live Oak County on the grand occasion of the county's 150th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Live Oak County was created by an act of the Texas Legislature on February 2, 1856, as a result of a request from the settlers in northern San Patricio County; the county seat, George West, is located near the center of the county; and

WHEREAS, The commissioners appointed by the legislature to organize the county met under the boughs of a spreading live oak tree in the Gussettville settlement, a short distance up the Nueces River from the Shannon crossing; and

WHEREAS, The commissioners decided upon Live Oak as the name of the new county, and the tree, located near Farm-to-Market Road 799, was later designated Charter Oak and was the site for picnics, horse races, and school programs for area residents; and

WHEREAS, A countywide sesquicentennial celebration is being held May 6, 2006, and will include a cowboy breakfast, the dedication of a marker showing the path of the Great West Trail, a trail ride, a historical reenactment of the signing of the charter under the Charter Oak tree, and a ranch rodeo; and

WHEREAS, The residents of Live Oak County can be justifiably proud of their county's rich past and its contributions to the heritage of the State of Texas, and it is fitting the county be given recognition at this time as an excellent area in which to live, work, and raise a family; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to Live Oak County on the 150th anniversary of its founding and extend best wishes to its citizens for a splendid celebration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this occasion.

Zaffirini

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 2, 2006.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate