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H.B. No. 317

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to designating May 5 as Tejano Heritage Day.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the Jesus Bazan/Antonio Longoria Act.

SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter 662, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 662.051 to read as follows:

Sec. 662.051. TEJANO HERITAGE DAY. (a) May 5, also known as "Cinco de Mayo," is Tejano Heritage Day to commemorate the history of Tejanos and the contributions Tejanos have made to the State of Texas and the world.

(b) Tejano Heritage Day shall be regularly observed, in concert with other notable historical celebrations, by appropriate programs and activities in the public schools and other places to inspire greater appreciation of the history of Tejanos and the important contributions Tejanos have made to the State of Texas and the world.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2005.