

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, The Texas Legislature is pleased to join the  
2 residents of Tarrant County and the Coalition of Tarrant County  
3 Chambers of Commerce in celebrating Tarrant County Day at the State  
4 Capitol on February 15, 2005; and

5           WHEREAS, Tarrant County was created in 1849 and named for  
6 General Edward H. Tarrant; the third most populous county in Texas,  
7 it is home to the international headquarters of such corporate  
8 giants as American Airlines, Burlington Northern Santa Fe, Pier 1  
9 Imports, and RadioShack; and

10           WHEREAS, Located in North Central Texas on the Grand Prairie  
11 and the Blackland Prairie, Tarrant County is a popular area for  
12 vacationing; the county boasts some of the Lone Star State's most  
13 outstanding cultural attractions, including the Kimbell Art  
14 Museum, the Amon G. Carter Museum, the Modern Art Museum of Fort  
15 Worth, the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History, and the  
16 National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame; and

17           WHEREAS, Nationally famous for such tourism centers as the  
18 Fort Worth Stockyards and Six Flags Over Texas, Tarrant County is  
19 often referred to as "Where the West Begins," and the flavor of the  
20 Old West is still present today in the county's ranchland, museums,  
21 art, and recreational centers; and

22           WHEREAS, Tarrant County is also an important national and  
23 international transportation crossroads located at the geographic  
24 center of the hemisphere and at the intersection of a number of

1 major highway and rail corridors; moreover, it features such  
2 outstanding air transportation facilities as the Dallas-Fort Worth  
3 International Airport, Alliance Airport, and Meacham International  
4 Airport; and

5 WHEREAS, The economic stability and diversity of the county  
6 owe much to the leadership provided by the Coalition of Tarrant  
7 County Chambers of Commerce, which represents more than 10,000  
8 business organizations and brings together 25 chambers of commerce  
9 from throughout Tarrant County; and

10 WHEREAS, Noted for its many contributions to the overall  
11 quality of life in Tarrant County, the coalition supports public  
12 policy initiatives that meet the needs of employers, employees, and  
13 all area residents and builds productive partnerships between the  
14 business community and local, state, and federal governments to  
15 facilitate positive growth in business and workforce development;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, The residents of Tarrant County, along with the  
18 members of Tarrant County Chambers of Commerce, deserve credit for  
19 maintaining the county's vitality and quality of life and for  
20 preserving its frontier spirit in the face of urban growth and  
21 industrial development; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas  
23 hereby recognize February 15, 2005, as Tarrant County Day at the  
24 State Capitol and extend to all those visiting from Tarrant County  
25 warmest best wishes for an enjoyable and memorable day.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 58 was adopted by the House on February 16, 2005, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 58 was adopted by the Senate on February 16, 2005, by a viva-voce vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor