

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, People from Rusk County are assembling at the State
2 Capitol to celebrate Rusk County Day on February 10, 2005; and

3 WHEREAS, This East Texas county sits near the edge of the
4 Texas-Louisiana divide, drained by the headwaters of the Sabine and
5 Angelina Rivers; located 120 miles southeast of Dallas, the
6 picturesque landscape includes piney woods, red clay hills, and
7 lush valleys; and

8 WHEREAS, Officially established by the Congress of the
9 Republic of Texas on January 16, 1843, it was named for General
10 Thomas J. Rusk, who had served as secretary of war under Sam
11 Houston; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1930, the county's economy changed dramatically
13 with the discovery of the East Texas Oil Field, six miles west of
14 Henderson, the county seat; since then, the population has grown to
15 include more than 45,000 citizens, and the economy thrives on oil,
16 agribusiness, light industry, and tourism; today, Rusk County ranks
17 among the top five counties in the state for oil production; and

18 WHEREAS, With a significant appreciation for the past, the
19 city of Henderson is home to many historical landmarks, including
20 the M. Kangerga House, the Howard-Dickinson House, and the T. J.
21 Walling Log Cabin; it joins other notable towns dotting the county
22 such as New London, Overton, and Mount Enterprise; and

23 WHEREAS, With its natural beauty, history, and prosperity,
24 Rusk County stands apart as a truly unique part of the Lone Star

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1 State, and its citizens should be proud to claim allegiance to such
2 a vibrant county; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas
4 hereby recognize February 10, 2005, as Rusk County Day at the State
5 Capitol and extend to all participants a warm welcome.

Hopson

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 61 was adopted by the House on February 10, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 61 was adopted by the Senate on February 10, 2005, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor