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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, February 9, 2005, is a special day at the State 2 Capitol, where proud residents of Jim Wells County are gathering to 3 celebrate their region's distinctive contributions to the Lone Star 4 State; and

5 WHEREAS, Located on the fertile south coastal plains, Jim 6 Wells County is heir to a long and proud tradition of cattle 7 ranching, and Alice, the county seat, was a major cattle shipping 8 center before the turn of the last century; and

9 WHEREAS, In the years since the county's creation in 1911, 10 the local economy has expanded to encompass gas and oil production 11 as well as farming, with such important crops as wheat, corn, 12 cotton, sorghum, and melons, and sunflowers for sunflower oil; and

WHEREAS, In addition to its agriculture and commerce, the county is home to Alice Regional Hospital and CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital-Alice, and it is important as a health care hub for South Texas; and

WHEREAS, Mindful of the region's colorful history, Jim Wells residents have sought to preserve and promote their heritage in museums such as the South Texas Museum and the Tejano R.O.O.T.S. Hall of Fame Museum, and visitors to these institutions leave them with a deep appreciation of those attributes that make Jim Wells unique among Texas counties; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
Legislature hereby recognize February 9, 2005, as Jim Wells County

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Day at the State Capitol and welcome the delegation present on this
day.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 186 was adopted by the House on February 9, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House