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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is proud to join 2 the citizens of Jefferson County in the joyous celebration of 3 Jefferson County Days at the State Capitol February 13-15, 2005; 4 and

5 WHEREAS, More than 250 visitors from throughout Southeast 6 Texas have come to Austin to meet with elected officials and 7 representatives of various state agencies to express appreciation 8 for work already done in behalf of the region and to make requests 9 for further assistance to help strengthen their respective 10 communities; and

11 WHEREAS, Jefferson County residents have gathered for this 12 and other special events and activities in order to work together 13 effectively and cohesively for the good of all Southeast Texas; and

14 WHEREAS, To that end, the chambers of commerce of Beaumont, 15 Groves, Nederland, Port Arthur, and Port Neches have combined 16 forces to form the Jefferson County Chambers of Commerce 17 Legislative Response Team, through which the chambers may identify 18 and address relevant issues as a region; and

WHEREAS, The Jefferson County Chambers of Commerce 19 Legislative Response Team works closely with the County of 20 21 Jefferson, along with their respective cities, other taxing 22 entities, business organizations, and the community at large to recognize the needs and concerns of the entire citizenry with its 23 great diversity and varying socioeconomic levels; and 24

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1 WHEREAS, Jefferson County is currently experiencing 2 significant industrial growth and development, as well as retail 3 and other commercial investments, making up a substantial portion 4 of industrial development presently taking place within the state; 5 and

6 WHEREAS, The people of Jefferson County have been building a 7 vibrant, forward-reaching region, and it is a pleasure to 8 acknowledge the public-spirited citizens from Southeast Texas here 9 today for their dedication and commitment to their communities; 10 now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas 12 Legislature hereby recognize February 13-15, 2005, as Jefferson 13 County Days at the Capitol and welcome the region's visitors to 14 Austin.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 242 was adopted by the House on February 15, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House