By: Hunter H.R. No. 258

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Many proud citizens of our state are with us today at 1 the State Capitol in connection with the biennial Austin visit 2 3 sponsored by Texas Midwest Community Network (TMCN); and WHEREAS, An alliance of 43 communities in 25 counties 4 5 surrounding Abilene, TMCN was created in 1994 to promote regional identity and to foster cooperation on economic development, tourism 6 7 development, regional promotion, and legislative awareness; and WHEREAS, In addition to organizing activities to further 8 these goals, TMCN also helps to identify emerging leaders, to 9 develop their skills and deepen their understanding for regional 10 11 issues, and to facilitate communication and networking among them; 12 and 13 WHEREAS, On the agenda for this notable delegation are visits 14 the house and senate chamber, and a reception honoring legislators who represent the TMCN region and Governor Rick Perry, 15 a native son of the Texas Midwest; and 16 WHEREAS, The day will also offer public-spirited citizens 17 18 from the Texas Midwest an opportunity to meet with their elected officials to discuss concerns pertinent to their area; and 19 WHEREAS, TMCN is playing a vital role in strengthening the 20 21 Lone Star State, and it is most appropriate that it be commended for its efforts to provide a strong voice for rural Texas, encourage 22

civic participation in the legislative process, and draw attention

to matters of importance to the region; now, therefore, be it

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- 1 RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 2 Legislature hereby recognize February 16th, 2005 as Texas Midwest
- 3 Day at the Capitol and honor the Texas Midwest Community Network for
- 4 its outstanding service.