By: Brown of Kaufman

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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Citizens from Kaufman County are celebrating 2

Kaufman County Day at the State Capitol on March 7, 2005; and

3 WHEREAS, Kaufman County was originally inhabited by Cherokee

and Caddo Indians; the first Anglo settlement, King's Fort, was 4

established by William P. King and 40 Mississippi pioneers in 1840;

Kaufman County was created from Henderson County in 1848, and three

years later King's Fort was selected as its county seat and renamed

Kaufman, in honor of David Spangler Kaufman, a member of the Texas 8

Legislature and the United States Congress; and 9

WHEREAS, Located in Northeast Texas, Kaufman County 10

blessed with the fertile soil of the Blackland Prairie,

attribute that attracted early settlers to the area from across the

southern United States; today's residents continue to take

advantage of this enduring natural resource, cultivating an

agriculture industry worth nearly \$30 million; and

WHEREAS, The county is home to two higher education 16

facilities, Southwestern Christian College and Trinity Valley

Junior College, as well as cultural attractions such as the Number 18

One British Flying Training School Museum and the Terrell Heritage

20 Museum; and

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21 WHEREAS, Known as the "Red Tail Hawk Capital of Texas,"

22 Kaufman County offers year-round festivities and

recreation for local residents and tourists alike; in addition, 23

Progressive Farmer magazine recently named the region as one of the 24

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top 10 counties in the Southwest United States in which to live; and
WHEREAS, Kaufman County has long been an outstanding place in

3 which to live, work, and raise a family, and the community and its

citizens merit special commendation for their contributions to the

5 Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
Legislature hereby recognize March 7, 2005, as Kaufman County Day

at the State Capitol and extend to the visitors from Kaufman County

9 best wishes for an enjoyable and informative stay in Austin.