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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, On March 23, 2005, citizens, officials, 2 businesspeople, and other friendly visitors from the great city of 3 Waco have come to their Capitol in Austin to share the great news of

4 their city's many virtues; and

WHEREAS, Located on the Brazos River in the heart of Texas, Waco is the seat of McLennan County and the renowned home of Baylor University, chartered in 1845 by the Republic of Texas, as well as other top-notch institutions of higher education, such as Texas State Technical College and McLennan Community College; and

WHEREAS, Among its numerous other distinctions, Waco is the birthplace of Dr Pepper; the site of the first single-span suspension bridge west of the Mississippi, which served as the prototype for the Brooklyn Bridge; Lake Waco, the largest municipal lake in the state; the Texas Rangers Hall of Fame and Museum; the Texas Sports Hall of Fame; the Mayborn Museum; the historic Hippodrome Theater, and many other attractions that highlight Waco's central location, natural beauty, and diverse charms; and

WHEREAS, Besides the many attractions that draw people to Waco, this area proudly stands as the birthplace of Olympians, war heroes, famous entertainers, literary figures, world-class economists, and more Texas governors than any other city in Texas; and

WHEREAS, The many fine qualities of Waco have, through the years, attracted the kind of people who strongly desire to improve

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- 1 the community; and
- WHEREAS, The commitment to business growth, education,
- 3 economic development, and community strength in Waco by its
- 4 citizens makes the region not only the absolute Heart of Texas, but
- 5 an increasingly popular choice to live, work, visit, play, shop, or
- 6 build; now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby express its gratitude for these visitors, who
- 9 serve as excellent ambassadors for the city of Waco; and, be it
- 10 further
- 11 RESOLVED, That Wednesday, March 23, 2005, be declared Waco
- 12 Day at the State Capitol in Austin; and, be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for the city of Waco and the Greater Waco Chamber of
- 15 Commerce as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of
- 16 Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 884 was adopted by the House on March 23, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House