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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Mount Pleasant and Titus County
2 are visiting Austin to celebrate Mount Pleasant/Titus County Day at
3 the State Capitol on March 13, 2007; and

4 WHEREAS, A picturesque region of East Texas woodlands, Titus
5 County was first inhabited several thousand years ago by the Caddo
6 tribe, and Creeks, Choctaws, and Cherokees came into the area in the
7 early 1800s; European settlers began arriving in the 1840s; and

8 WHEREAS, Titus County was established in 1846 by the first
9 Texas state legislature, with Mount Pleasant as the county seat;
10 the county was named after Andrew Jackson Titus, who opened the
11 first road to the river port in nearby Jefferson; and

12 WHEREAS, The county's economy was mainly agriculture,
13 depending on cotton and corn, as well as cattle, hogs, and sheep;
14 the Talco oilfield was discovered in 1936, and today Titus County
15 enjoys a diverse economy based on agribusiness, industry, tourism,
16 and timber; and

17 WHEREAS, The county seat of Mount Pleasant is a thriving
18 community that has been designated a Texas Main Street City and
19 named one of the 100 Best Small Towns in America; it is a center for
20 poultry processing, medical services, lignite coal mining, and the
21 manufacture of farm equipment and trailers and is home as well to
22 Northeast Texas Community College; and

23 WHEREAS, Mount Pleasant is rich with opportunities for
24 fishing, boating, and swimming, as well as hiking and picnicking,

1 at such scenic spots as Lake Bob Sandlin, Lake Monticello, and Lake
2 Welsh; it also offers a multitude of sites for bird-watchers and
3 garden enthusiasts; and

4 WHEREAS, Building on their history of accomplishments,
5 abundant natural resources, and convenient location that offers the
6 simpler lifestyle of small towns but provides easy accessibility to
7 metropolitan areas, Titus County citizens are contributing
8 immeasurably to the vibrancy of the Lone Star State; now,
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas
11 hereby designate March 13, 2007, as Mount Pleasant/Titus County Day
12 at the State Capitol and offer best wishes to the visiting
13 delegation for an enjoyable stay in Austin.