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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to 2 honor the citizens of Laredo and to recognize January 24, 2007, as 3 Laredo Legislative Day at the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1755 by Don Tomas Sanchez, Laredo was forged in the heat of battles among Spaniards, Indians, Mexicans, Texans, and Americans; today the City Under Seven Flags exists as one of the world's unique and most interesting cultural intersections, a true crossroads between nations; and

9 WHEREAS, Situated on the north bank of the Rio Grande, Laredo 10 is the largest inland port on the southern United States border; it 11 is one of the top four ports-of-commerce in the nation, and is a 12 major gateway for overland trade between the United States and 13 Mexico; and

14 WHEREAS, A commitment to education is a vital component of 15 Laredo's success; Texas A&M International University in North 16 Laredo and The University of Texas Health Science Center at San 17 Antonio Laredo Extension Campus teem with students, while Laredo 18 Community College has expanded to include a second campus; and

WHEREAS, Laredo's citizens proudly support the Laredo Bucks, the 2004 and 2006 Central Hockey League President's Cup Champions, as well as several minor league sports teams; the city also plays an important role in the global war on terror, as home to the Laredo International Fire and Law Enforcement Training Center; and

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WHEREAS, Whether as a gateway for international trade and

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tourism or as a regional center for education and entertainment, the city of Laredo continues to grow and prosper thanks to the dedication of its devoted leaders and hard-working citizens; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas 6 Legislature hereby recognize January 24, 2007, as Laredo 7 Legislative Day at the Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the 8 residents of Laredo who have traveled to Austin to celebrate this 9 occasion.