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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A group of proud Texans is visiting Austin on
2 January 29, 2007, to celebrate the many fine attributes of Rockwall
3 County; and

4 WHEREAS, Rockwall County was established in 1873; the area
5 takes its name from an extensive, largely subterranean rock
6 formation discovered in the mid-19th century by farmers digging a
7 well; and

8 WHEREAS, The county seat, also named Rockwall, was founded
9 along with Heath on the National Road of the Republic of Texas, a
10 major route used by settlers that ran from the Dallas area to the
11 Red River; today, the City of Rockwall's Historic Preservation
12 Advisory Board, the "Old Town" Rockwall Neighborhood Association,
13 and the Rockwall County Historical Foundation direct their efforts
14 toward preserving the notable history of the region for future
15 generations; and

16 WHEREAS, More than 60,000 Texans make their home in Rockwall
17 County's 148 square miles, where they can enjoy the pleasures of
18 rural and small-town life while living just a short drive away from
19 the big-city amenities of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex; in
20 addition to Rockwall and Heath, other communities in the county
21 include Fate, McLendon-Chisholm, Royse City, and Rowlett; and

22 WHEREAS, Contributing to the quality of life in Rockwall
23 County are strong schools and an array of cultural organizations,
24 including musical and theatrical groups; bordered on the west by

1 Lake Ray Hubbard, the county offers exceptional sailing, fishing,
2 and boating for outdoor enthusiasts as well as numerous parks and
3 abundant other recreational opportunities; and

4 WHEREAS, The smallest of the Lone Star State's 254 counties,
5 Rockwall County is nonetheless home to people who demonstrate
6 Texas-sized heart and spirit; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
8 Legislature hereby recognize January 29, 2007, as Rockwall County
9 Day at the State Capitol and extend to all those residents of the
10 county here today warmest wishes for a memorable visit.