

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Residents of Chambers County are gathering at the  
2 State Capitol on February 13, 2007, to celebrate the unique  
3 qualities of their Southeast Texas home; and

4           WHEREAS, Situated on some 600 square miles of Gulf Coast  
5 plains, Chambers County was settled by the Spaniards, the French,  
6 the Mexicans, and numerous Native American tribes before being  
7 officially created in 1858 from portions of Liberty and Jefferson  
8 Counties; it is named for T. J. Chambers, who served as chief  
9 justice of the Supreme Court of Coahuila and Texas and as surveyor  
10 general; and

11           WHEREAS, Countless tourists enjoy the many attractions and  
12 festivals offered by Chambers County; Anahuac, designated as the  
13 Alligator Capital of Texas, hosts the Texas Gatorfest each  
14 September at Fort Anahuac Park, and a few weeks later, Winnie hosts  
15 the Texas Rice Festival, celebrating the annual rice harvest; and

16           WHEREAS, Visitors are also drawn to the area for recreational  
17 opportunities, including birding, fishing, hunting, crabbing,  
18 boating, camping, and golfing; in particular, Chambers County is  
19 home to the Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge, where more than 270  
20 species of birds can be seen, and the Candy Cain Abshier Wildlife  
21 Management Area, 207 acres along Galveston Bay and Trinity Bay in  
22 which numerous birds congregate on their way to and from South  
23 America; and

24           WHEREAS, In addition to tourism, the county's economy is

1 supported by the petroleum industry, chemical plants,  
2 agribusiness, fish and oyster processing, and manufacturing; and

3 WHEREAS, Located between the Houston metroplex and the Golden  
4 Triangle of Beaumont-Orange-Port Arthur, Chambers County offers  
5 the calm of rural living with convenient access to big-city  
6 amenities, and its residents can indeed take pride in the many  
7 distinct features that make this region so special; now, therefore,  
8 be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
10 Legislature hereby recognize February 13, 2007, as Chambers County  
11 Day at the State Capitol and extend sincere best wishes to all those  
12 in attendance for an enjoyable visit to Austin.

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H.R. No. 368

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 368 was adopted by the House on  
February 13, 2007, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House