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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to

join the residents of Tarrant County and the Coalition of Tarrant

County Chambers of Commerce in celebrating Tarrant County Day at

4 the State Capitol on February 28, 2007; and

5 WHEREAS, Tarrant County was created in 1849 and named for

General Edward H. Tarrant; the third most populous county in Texas,

7 it is home to the international headquarters of such corporate

8 giants as American Airlines, Burlington Northern Santa Fe, Pier 1

9 Imports, and RadioShack; and

10 WHEREAS, Located in North Central Texas on the Grand Prairie

and the Blackland Prairie, Tarrant County is a popular area for

vacationing; the county boasts some of the Lone Star State's most

outstanding cultural attractions, including the Kimbell Art

14 Museum, the Amon G. Carter Museum, the Modern Art Museum of Fort

15 Worth, the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History, and the

16 National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame; and

17 WHEREAS, Nationally famous for such tourism centers as the

18 Fort Worth Stockyards and Six Flags Over Texas, Tarrant County is

often referred to as "Where the West Begins," and the flavor of the

20 Old West is still present today in the county's ranchland, museums,

21 art, and recreational centers; and

WHEREAS, Tarrant County is also an important national and

23 international transportation crossroads located at the geographic

24 center of the hemisphere and at the intersection of a number of

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- 1 major highway and rail corridors; moreover, it features such
- 2 outstanding air transportation facilities as the Dallas-Fort Worth
- 3 International Airport, Alliance Airport, and Meacham International
- 4 Airport; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The economic stability and diversity of the county
- 6 owe much to the leadership provided by the Coalition of Tarrant
- 7 County Chambers of Commerce, which represents more than 10,000
- 8 business organizations and brings together 25 chambers of commerce
- 9 from throughout Tarrant County; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Noted for its many contributions to the overall
- 11 quality of life in Tarrant County, the coalition supports public
- 12 policy initiatives that meet the needs of employers, employees, and
- 13 all area residents, and it builds productive partnerships between
- the business community and local, state, and federal governments to
- 15 facilitate positive growth in business and workforce development;
- 16 and
- 17 WHEREAS, The residents of Tarrant County, along with the
- 18 members of Tarrant County Chambers of Commerce, deserve credit for
- 19 maintaining the county's vitality and quality of life and for
- 20 preserving its frontier spirit in the face of urban growth and
- 21 industrial development; now, therefore, be it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 23 Legislature hereby recognize February 28, 2007, as Tarrant County
- 24 Day at the State Capitol and extend to all those visiting from
- 25 Tarrant County best wishes for an enjoyable and memorable day.