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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Montgomery County are celebrating the 2 contributions of their county with a trip to the State Capitol on 3 April 3, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Located in the East Texas Timberlands region, Montgomery County was the third county formed under the Republic of Texas; artifacts from the Paleo-Indian and Archaic cultures have been found in the area, suggesting a human presence for more than 10,000 years; and

9 WHEREAS, Among the region's earliest Anglo-American settlers 10 was Andrew Montgomery, who established a trading post that was one 11 of the county's first settlements and that eventually became the 12 town of Montgomery; the Republic of Texas Congress officially 13 established Montgomery County in 1837; and

WHEREAS, The construction of the railroads toward the end of the 19th century led to a significant economic transformation in the region, and in 1932, oil was discovered southeast of Conroe; and WHEREAS, Today the county's industries still include oil and lumber, but its abundant lakes and forest land also make it an attractive destination for many; opportunities for hunting,

20 boating, fishing, and hiking abound in the Sam Houston National 21 Forest, the W. Goodrich Jones State Forest, Lake Conroe, Lake 22 Woodlands, and Spring Creek; and

23 WHEREAS, Many charming towns dot the landscape of Montgomery 24 County, including the county seat, Conroe; the region's first

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settlement, Montgomery; the cities of Porter, Oak Ridge, and Shenandoah, which provide comfortable residential neighborhoods for some of the county's population, and the township of Willis, which originally thrived with a successful tobacco industry and now has a profitable timber and farming economy; and

6 WHEREAS, The Woodlands, a master-planned community where 7 residents live, work, play, and learn, is located in southern 8 Montgomery County; it is home to the Cynthia Woods Mitchell 9 Pavilion, which in 2006 was ranked the fourth best-attended outdoor 10 music facility in the nation; the community also features a 11 1.25-mile waterway that serves as a transportation corridor linking 12 offices, retail stores, and dining and entertainment venues; and

WHEREAS, The town of Cut and Shoot earned its unique name after a 1912 community dispute over the design of a new steeple for the town's only church and land claims among church members; when the issue reached a boiling point, a young boy near the church reportedly yelled, "I'm going to cut around the corner and shoot through the bushes," which stuck in the minds of residents, who soon adopted the name Cut and Shoot; and

20 WHEREAS, The residents of Montgomery County may take 21 justifiable pride in their region's rich heritage, and it is a 22 pleasure to honor them as they look forward to a bright and 23 promising future; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
Legislature hereby recognize April 3, 2007, as Montgomery County
Day at the State Capitol and extend to its citizens here today
sincere best wishes for an enjoyable visit to Austin.

Creighton Eissler Otto

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 721 was adopted by the House on April 3, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House