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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud citizens from Brazoria County are coming to  
2 Austin on March 20, 2007, to celebrate Brazoria County Day at the  
3 Texas State Capitol, and this occasion provides an opportunity to  
4 pay tribute to this notable region of the Lone Star State; and

5 WHEREAS, Located along the Gulf Coast, Brazoria County has  
6 been blessed with 20 miles of natural beach; encompassing both the  
7 Brazoria and San Bernard National Wildlife Refuges, this notable  
8 Texas county boasts spectacular flora and fauna as well as  
9 excellent opportunities for hunting and fishing; and

10 WHEREAS, Before being settled by members of Stephen F.  
11 Austin's "Old 300" colonists in the early 1820s, this  
12 geographically diverse region was inhabited by members of the  
13 Karankawa tribe; officially created in 1836, the county was the  
14 site of General Santa Anna's signing of the Treaties of Velasco that  
15 same year, which effectively granted Texas its independence; and

16 WHEREAS, Angleton, the county seat, was founded in 1890 and  
17 today is an award-winning Keep Texas Beautiful city which offers  
18 visitors a host of interesting attractions, including antique  
19 shops, parks, and the Brazoria County Historical Museum; the town's  
20 annual events include the Brazoria County Fair and Christmas on the  
21 Square; and

22 WHEREAS, The populous Brazosport area is home to more than  
23 58,000 people who live in eight adjacent cities: Clute, Freeport,  
24 Jones Creek, Lake Jackson, Oyster Creek, Quintana, Richwood, and

1 Surfside Beach; Brazosport's diverse economy includes chemical  
2 processing, shipping via its deepwater seaport, commercial  
3 fishing, and tourism; other sizable cities in Brazoria County  
4 include Alvin, the hometown of Baseball Hall of Famer Nolan Ryan,  
5 and Pearland, a center for the chemical and oil industries; and

6 WHEREAS, From the pioneer era to the present, Brazoria County  
7 has been home to industrious and innovative citizens, and their many  
8 contributions to the Lone Star State are truly worthy of  
9 recognition; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
11 Legislature hereby recognize March 20, 2007, as Brazoria County Day  
12 at the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the citizens who  
13 have traveled to Austin to celebrate this occasion.