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H.R. No. 1693

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The city of Plainview is celebrating the centennial
2 of its incorporation; and

3 WHEREAS, Plainview was settled originally in the 1880s by Z.
4 T. Maxwell and Edwin Lowden Lowe and their families, who set up a
5 post office and named the town for the vast, treeless plain all
6 around; in 1888, Hale County was established, with Plainview as the
7 county seat; and

8 WHEREAS, The arrival of the Pecos and Northern Texas Railroad
9 in 1906 helped the town to grow, and in 1907, Plainview was
10 incorporated; by 1910 it had a population of almost 3,000 and was
11 home to two colleges, including Wayland Baptist University, and an
12 opera house; and

13 WHEREAS, The introduction of irrigation in 1910 allowed more
14 growth, and the Texas Land and Development Company drew settlers
15 from all over the country with the promise of flat, fertile,
16 well-irrigated land; today Plainview is the processing and
17 distribution center of one of the country's most important
18 agriculture regions, and companies like Azteca Milling and Cargill
19 Meat Solutions contribute greatly to its continuing prosperity; and

20 WHEREAS, The city offers its citizens such cultural and
21 recreational amenities as the Plainview Symphony, the Plainview
22 Municipal Golf Course, and the Llano Estacado Museum on the campus
23 of Wayland Baptist University; additionally, residents and
24 visitors alike may enjoy the Plainview Cattle Drive, a city-wide

1 display of 45 handpainted fiberglass cows, which was created to
2 promote the city's annual Cowboy Days every September; and

3 WHEREAS, The citizens of Plainview are justifiably proud of
4 their history and their contributions to the Lone Star State, and it
5 is fitting to pay tribute to their hometown's first 100 years; now,
6 therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
8 Legislature hereby congratulate the city of Plainview on its
9 centennial and extend best wishes to the residents of Plainview for
10 a fine year of celebration; and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for the city as an expression of high regard by the Texas
13 House of Representatives.