

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 377

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the citizens of Atascosa County in celebrating February 28, 2007, as Atascosa County Day at the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Situated astride the famous Camino Real, Atascosa County has benefited throughout its history from its location on major transportation arteries that link the Gulf Coast region, the Rio Grande Valley, and Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Atascosa County was founded in 1856 when a courthouse was built at Navatasco on land donated by Jose Antonio Navarro; two years later, the courthouse was relocated to Pleasanton, where it remained until an election in 1910 resulted in its move to Jourdanton, which remains the county seat today; and

WHEREAS, Atascosa County is blessed with fertile farmland and a productive range; every April, the Poteet Strawberry Festival celebrates the annual strawberry harvest, and the Longhorn Museum in Pleasanton offers natural science and local history exhibits; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the citizens of Atascosa County enjoy the Frenchie Burke Festival in Lytle during May and the Cowboy Homecoming Celebration in Pleasanton at the end of August; Saint Ignatius Catholic Church holds its annual picnic celebration during the Labor Day weekend; and

WHEREAS, In 2006, Atascosa County celebrated its 150th birthday with a gala sesquicentennial event; the county's residents should be justly proud of their heritage and the traditions and achievements that were a part of it; and

WHEREAS, Atascosa County citizens have enriched our state for over a century, and Atascosa County Day is an appropriate occasion to recognize them; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby recognize Atascosa County Day and commend the county's citizens for their contributions to our state; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for them as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Zaffirini

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 28, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate