

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, On January 29, 2009, proud residents of Hunt County  
2 are visiting Austin on the occasion of Hunt County Day at the State  
3 Capitol, presenting a fitting opportunity to celebrate that vibrant  
4 region of the Lone Star State; and

5           WHEREAS, Located in the Blackland Prairie of northeastern  
6 Texas, Hunt County was first inhabited by the Kiowa Indians; Anglo  
7 settlers arrived in 1839, and the county was officially formed from  
8 parts of Fannin and Nacogdoches Counties in 1846; with Greenville  
9 as its seat, the county was named after Memucan Hunt, secretary of  
10 the navy and minister to Washington under the Republic of Texas; and

11           WHEREAS, While the county's early economy depended mainly on  
12 cotton, life changed dramatically after the Civil War; the arrival  
13 of the railroad in the mid-1870s was a catalyst for 11 communities  
14 that sprang up around train depots, and by the early 20th century,  
15 Hunt County was home to the first municipally owned public  
16 utilities in Texas and a number of industries centered around the  
17 cotton trade, such as cotton-spinning mills, cotton compresses, and  
18 a cottonseed-oil refinery; and

19           WHEREAS, Hunt County has continued to grow and today has more  
20 than 82,000 residents; its diverse economy now includes such  
21 industries as aircraft electronics and plastics distribution, and  
22 eight Fortune 500 companies have offices in Greenville; and

23           WHEREAS, The county is well served by two institutions of  
24 higher learning, Texas A&M University--Commerce and the Greenville

1 Center of Paris Junior College, and it is enriched by a number of  
2 recreational and cultural attractions; picturesque Lake Tawakoni  
3 State Park is a destination for boating, swimming, camping, and  
4 hiking, the Mathews Prairie Nature Preserve, a 100-acre tract of  
5 native prairie meadow that has never been plowed, is ideal for  
6 birders and wildflower enthusiasts, and the Audie Murphy/American  
7 Cotton Museum commemorates the importance of cotton to the region  
8 and celebrates the life of Hunt County native Audie Murphy, film  
9 star and the most decorated American soldier of World War II; and

10 WHEREAS, The citizens of Hunt County may take justifiable  
11 pride in their community and know that it has contributed immensely  
12 to the history and vitality of Texas; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
14 Legislature hereby recognize January 29, 2009, as Hunt County Day  
15 at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere  
16 best wishes for an enjoyable and memorable stay in Austin.

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Straus	Gattis	Menendez
Allen	Geren	Merritt
Alonzo	Giddings	Miklos
Alvarado	Gonzales	Miller of Comal
Anchia	Gonzalez Toureilles	Miller of Erath
Anderson	Guillen	Moody
Aycock	Gutierrez	Morrison
Berman	Hamilton	Naishtat
Bohac	Hancock	Oliveira
Bolton	Hardcastle	Olivo
Bonnen	Harless	Orr
Branch	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Brown of Kaufman	Hartnett	Otto
Brown of Brazos	Heflin	Parker
Burnam	Hernandez	Patrick
Button	Herrero	Paxton
Callegari	Hilderbran	Pena
Castro	Hochberg	Phillips
Chavez	Hodge	Pickett
Chisum	Homer	Pierson
Christian	Hopson	Pitts
Cohen	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
Coleman	Howard of Travis	Raymond
Cook	Hughes	Riddle
Corte	Hunter	Rios Ybarra
Crabb	Isett	Ritter
Craddick	Jackson	Rodriguez
Creighton	Jones	Rose
Crownover	Keffer	Sheffield
Darby	Kent	Shelton
Davis of Harris	King of Parker	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	King of Taylor	Smith of Harris
Deshotel	King of Zavala	Smithee
Driver	Kleinschmidt	Solomons
Dukes	Kolkhorst	Strama
Dunnam	Kuempel	Swinford
Dutton	Laubenberg	Taylor
Edwards	Legler	Thibaut
Eiland	Leibowitz	Thompson
Eissler	Lewis	Truitt
Elkins	Lucio III	Turner of Tarrant
England	Madden	Turner of Harris
Farabee	Maldonado	Vaught
Farias	Mallory Caraway	Veasey
Farrar	Marquez	Villarreal
Fletcher	Martinez	Vo
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Walle
Flynn	McCall	Weber
Frost	McClendon	Woolley
Gallego	McReynolds	Zerwas

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 191 was adopted by the House on  
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Chief Clerk of the House