

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to  
2 join the citizens of Waller County in celebrating February 10,  
3 2009, as Waller County Day at the State Capitol; and

4           WHEREAS, Created by the Texas Legislature in 1873 from  
5 sections of Austin and Grimes Counties, Waller County is named for  
6 Edwin Waller, a signatory of the Texas Declaration of Independence  
7 and the City of Austin's first mayor; and

8           WHEREAS, Waller County's early settlers were members of  
9 Stephen F. Austin's original Texas colony; the county played a role  
10 in the Texas Revolution, serving as the site of an encampment for  
11 the army of General Sam Houston; and

12           WHEREAS, Before the discovery of oil in the 1930s, the  
13 economy of Waller County was driven largely by agriculture, with  
14 cotton being the foremost crop; a diverse population of African  
15 Americans, Italians, Irish, Germans, Poles, and Czechs came to the  
16 region in the late 18th century and early 19th century; recently,  
17 the county has experienced significant population growth; and

18           WHEREAS, The citizens of Waller County are justly proud of  
19 their county's distinguished history and the many contributions its  
20 people have made to the growth and progress of our state; now,  
21 therefore, be it

22           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
23 Legislature hereby recognize February 10, 2009, as Waller County  
24 Day at the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the citizens

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1 of Waller County who have traveled to the Capitol for this  
2 commemoration.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 290 was adopted by the House on  
February 10, 2009, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House