

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Balch Springs are gathering at the
2 State Capitol on March 4, 2009, to gain further insight into the
3 workings of state government; and

4 WHEREAS, This North Texas community has a fascinating history
5 that can be traced back to the late 19th century, when John M. Balch
6 first settled the area; according to local legend, the Balch family
7 made the natural springs available as a meeting place and as a
8 communal water source for their neighbors; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1885, Dallas County established the region's
10 first school; seven decades later, citizens voted to incorporate,
11 and since that time, the population has grown to nearly 20,000; and

12 WHEREAS, With the 81st Legislative Session well under way,
13 the Capitol Complex is a source of great activity, offering
14 visiting Balch Springs residents an excellent opportunity to see
15 state government in action and to form a stronger partnership with
16 their state legislators; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
18 Legislature hereby recognize March 4, 2009, as Balch Springs State
19 Government Day at the State Capitol and extend best wishes to the
20 members of the delegation for an enjoyable and memorable visit to
21 Austin.

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H.R. No. 686

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 686 was adopted by the House on March 4, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House