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RESOLUTION

- 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
- 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.