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H.R. No. 1377

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud citizens of Burnet County are gathering in  
2 Austin on April 23, 2009, to celebrate Burnet County Day at the  
3 State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Situated among the scenic lakes and hills of the  
5 Texas Hill Country, Burnet County was organized by the 4th Texas  
6 Legislature in 1852 and named for David G. Burnet, president of the  
7 provisional government of the Republic of Texas; the county seat  
8 was established in the town of Hamilton, which changed its name to  
9 Burnet in 1858; and

10 WHEREAS, The county's economy was originally dependent on  
11 agriculture, but the harnessing of the Colorado River by the Lower  
12 Colorado River Authority beginning in the 1930s and the creation of  
13 the Highland Lakes helped turn Burnet County into a popular  
14 recreational and vacation destination, and residents and visitors  
15 from all across the Lone Star State enjoy swimming, boating,  
16 fishing, and camping on Lakes Buchanan, Inks, Lyndon B. Johnson,  
17 and Travis; and

18 WHEREAS, Bird-watchers and amateur astronomers are drawn by  
19 the Canyon of the Eagles Nature Park; the Hill Country *Flyer* train  
20 ride and the Vanishing Texas River Cruise offer tours of the  
21 county's scenic wonders, and visitors to Longhorn Cavern State Park  
22 delight in the scenic grottoes and rich history of this unique  
23 attraction; and

24 WHEREAS, The vast dome of Granite Mountain supplied the stone

1 used in the construction of the State Capitol and a number of state  
2 office buildings and county courthouses, as well as for the  
3 Galveston seawall; and

4 WHEREAS, Texas Tech University at Highland Lakes and Central  
5 Texas College provide opportunities for higher education for the  
6 rapidly growing population in the area, and the Fort Croghan Museum  
7 in Burnet and the Falls on the Colorado Museum in Marble Falls help  
8 to preserve the county's heritage; and

9 WHEREAS, Blessed with a region of great beauty and a rich  
10 history, the residents of Burnet County may take great pride in  
11 their unique contribution to the story of the Lone Star State; now,  
12 therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
14 Legislature hereby recognize April 23, 2009, as Burnet County Day  
15 at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere  
16 best wishes for an informative and enjoyable visit to Austin.