

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 701

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, The vast dome of Granite Mountain supplied the stone used in the construction of the State Capitol and a number of state office buildings and county courthouses, as well as for the Galveston seawall; and

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

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

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

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate