RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, On February 16 and 17, 2011, members of the
- 2 Nacogdoches County Chamber of Commerce, Leadership Nacogdoches,
- 3 and Stephen F. Austin State University and its Student Government
- 4 and Alumni Associations are visiting Austin to celebrate
- 5 Nacogdoches-SFA Days at the State Capitol; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Nacogdoches is one of the oldest communities in the
- 7 state, the site of a Caddo Native American settlement and a Spanish
- 8 mission established in 1716; the city became an important gateway
- 9 for trade with the French and later the Americans, and its lengthy
- 10 list of Texas milestones includes the first newspaper, oil well,
- 11 and two-story building, as well as the state's inaugural district
- 12 court session; the nine flags flown over the city include those of
- 13 three short-lived early republics; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Today, the vintage charm of Nacogdoches brings
- 15 myriad tourists, who explore such attractions as the Old Stone
- 16 Fort, the Victorian homes along Mound Street, the 19th-century
- 17 buildings of Millard's Crossing, and the quaint antique shops and
- 18 restaurants along brick downtown streets; many also come to enjoy
- 19 recreational activities at Nacogdoches Lake and Sam Rayburn
- 20 Reservoir, known for their bass fishing; in addition to education
- 21 and tourism, primary industries include agricultural services,
- 22 manufacturing, and oil and gas; and
- 23 WHEREAS, Education has been an important part of the area's
- 24 economy since Stephen F. Austin State University opened its doors

- 1 to 158 students on September 18, 1923; its alumni association was
- 2 organized just five years later and has worked diligently through
- 3 the years to support the school, which now has an enrollment of
- 4 nearly 13,000 students; SFA boasts an exceptionally scenic campus
- 5 and also operates a beef and poultry farm, a dairy farm, an
- 6 experimental forest, and a forestry field station; its observatory
- 7 is the second largest not only in Texas but also in the Central Time
- 8 Zone; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Beautifully situated in the Texas Forest Country,
- 10 Nacogdoches is attracting active retired Texans; it was one of the
- 11 first three communities in Texas recognized as a Go Texan certified
- 12 retirement community because of its cultural and sporting events,
- 13 health care, safety, and continuing education opportunities; and
- 14 WHEREAS, The combination of numerous amenities and a
- 15 neighborly atmosphere makes Nacogdoches a splendid place to live,
- 16 work, and study, and it is a pleasure to welcome those representing
- 17 the many facets of this vibrant part of the Lone Star State; now,
- 18 therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 20 Legislature hereby recognize February 16 and 17, 2011, as
- 21 Nacogdoches-SFA Days at the State Capitol and extend to the
- 22 visiting delegation best wishes for a memorable stay in Austin;
- 23 and, be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared
- 25 for the group as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of
- 26 Representatives.

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	Speaker of the House
I certify that H.R. No. 252 was ac	dopted by the House on February
17, 2011, by a non-record vote.	
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