By: Smith of Tarrant

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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Tarrant County and members of the
- 2 Coalition of Tarrant County Chambers of Commerce are gathering in
- 3 Austin on March 3, 2011, to celebrate Tarrant County Day at the
- 4 State Capitol; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Named in honor of General Edward H. Tarrant, Tarrant
- 6 County was founded in 1849; it has grown to become the third most
- 7 populous county in Texas, and is an important national and
- 8 international transportation hub; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Countless vacationers are drawn to Tarrant County
- 10 each year; it offers such acclaimed cultural institutions as the
- 11 Kimbell Art Museum, the Amon G. Carter Museum, the Modern Art Museum
- 12 of Fort Worth, and the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History,
- 13 which opened a splendid new facility in late 2009; in addition, the
- 14 county's wide range of tourist attractions includes the National
- 15 Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame, the Fort Worth Stockyards, and Six
- 16 Flags Over Texas; and
- WHEREAS, One of the nation's premier sports markets, Tarrant
- 18 County thrills fans with two Arlington-based major-league teams,
- 19 the Texas Rangers and the Dallas Cowboys; the Rangers won the 2010
- 20 American League championship and played in their first World
- 21 Series, while the Cowboys hosted Super Bowl XLV at the new \$1.15
- 22 billion Cowboys Stadium; moreover, the Texas Christian University
- 23 Horned Frogs have developed one of the country's premier college
- 24 football programs and recently concluded their second consecutive

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- 1 undefeated season by winning the Rose Bowl; and
- 2 WHEREAS, This vibrant county is home to the global
- 3 headquarters of such major corporations as American Airlines,
- 4 Burlington Northern Santa Fe, Pier 1 Imports, and RadioShack; more
- 5 than 10,000 business organizations and two dozen chambers of
- 6 commerce are represented by the Coalition of Tarrant County
- 7 Chambers of Commerce, which promotes economic development and works
- 8 to build productive partnerships between the business community and
- 9 local, state, and federal governments to facilitate positive
- 10 business and workforce growth; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Combining a vigorous business climate with a high
- 12 quality of life, Tarrant County continues to draw new companies and
- 13 new residents, and its citizens and area chambers of commerce can
- 14 indeed take pride in the dynamism of their communities; now,
- 15 therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 17 Legislature hereby recognize March 3, 2011, as Tarrant County Day
- 18 at the State Capitol and extend to all those visiting from Tarrant
- 19 County best wishes for a memorable and productive day.