

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Grand Prairie are gathering in
2 Austin on March 1, 2011, to celebrate Grand Prairie Day at the State
3 Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Founded during the Civil War and originally known as
5 Deckman, this Metroplex city was renamed Grand Prairie in the
6 1870s; the Texas and Pacific Railway was built to the site in 1876,
7 and by 1890 the burgeoning community boasted a public school, a
8 steam gristmill-cotton gin, a broom factory, and a wagon factory;
9 in 1928, Dallas built Hensley Field just two miles east of Grand
10 Prairie, and the field became the hub for area army operations; and

11 WHEREAS, Grand Prairie experienced a substantial boom during
12 World War II, when a military flight training center and an aircraft
13 production factory were built nearby, bringing the city's
14 population from 1,595 to approximately 18,000; and

15 WHEREAS, Home to more than 175,000 today, and just minutes
16 south of Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport, Grand Prairie
17 features a wide range of industry and commerce; aircraft,
18 furniture, plastics, and machine parts are among the many items
19 manufactured within the city; and

20 WHEREAS, Grand Prairie appeals to visitors and residents
21 alike who delight in such attractions as Lone Star Park, Verizon
22 Theatre, Uptown Theatre, and two top-ranked golf courses, as well
23 as popular annual events including the Prairie Dog Chili Cookoff,
24 the Prairie Lights Christmas display, and the National Championship

1 Indian Pow Wow; moreover, there are ample opportunities for
2 recreation at scenic Joe Pool Lake, Mountain Creek Lake, and Lynn
3 Creek and Loyd Parks; and

4 WHEREAS, Grand Prairie's excellent location and numerous
5 amenities make it an ideal community in which to live, work, and
6 raise a family, and its citizens may indeed take great pride in
7 their contributions to the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
9 Legislature hereby recognize March 1, 2011, as Grand Prairie Day at
10 the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere
11 best wishes for a meaningful and memorable day in Austin.

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Bonnen	Hilderbran	Perry
Branch	Hochberg	Phillips
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H.R. No. 668

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 668 was adopted by the House on March 1, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House