

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Hopkins County are gathering in
2 Austin on March 29, 2011, to celebrate Hopkins County Day at the
3 State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Hopkins County has an area of 789 square miles with
5 both blackland prairie and piney wood terrain; originally inhabited
6 by the Caddo and then the Cherokee people, the county was created in
7 1846 and named for a family of pioneers; Sulphur Springs was made
8 the county seat in 1870; and

9 WHEREAS, Corn, wheat, sheep, and cattle were agriculturally
10 important in the 19th century, but cotton became the dominant crop
11 between 1890 and 1930; in 1937 the Carnation Milk Company opened a
12 processing plant in the county, and its presence, in conjunction
13 with better road and rail transportation, allowed dairy farming to
14 become the major agricultural undertaking; in 1990 the county
15 boasted nearly 500 dairies supplying 17 percent of the state's
16 total milk; and

17 WHEREAS, Today, Hopkins County has a population of over
18 35,000, with more than 15,000 people residing in Sulphur Springs;
19 along with dairy production, tourism and food processing and
20 distribution are mainstays of the economy, as are beef cattle and
21 breeding horses; and

22 WHEREAS, Sulphur Springs features a number of popular
23 attractions, including the Southwest Dairy Center and Museum, the
24 Leo St. Clair Music Box Museum, and the Hopkins County Heritage

1 Museum and Park; moreover, the area is a well-known center for
2 aquatic recreation, with Lake Fork and Cooper Lake State Park
3 offering opportunities for trophy bass fishing, as well as boating
4 and swimming; bird-watchers, hikers, and campers also seek out the
5 county, and special events like the Texas State Champion Homemade
6 Ice Cream Freeze Off at the Hopkins County Dairy Festival in June
7 are enjoyed by residents and visitors alike; and

8 WHEREAS, Hopkins County is one of the Lone Star State's true
9 treasures, and its citizens justifiably take great pride in the
10 history and character of their splendid communities; now,
11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
13 Legislature hereby recognize March 29, 2011, as Hopkins County Day
14 at the State Capitol and extend sincere best wishes to the visiting
15 delegation for an informative and enjoyable stay in Austin.

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Aliseda	Gonzalez	Munoz, Jr.
Allen	Gooden	Murphy
Alonzo	Guillen	Naishtat
Alvarado	Gutierrez	Nash
Anchia	Hamilton	Oliveira
Anderson of Dallas	Hancock	Orr
Anderson of McLennan	Hardcastle	Otto
Aycock	Harless	Parker
Beck	Harper-Brown	Patrick
Berman	Hartnett	Paxton
Bohac	Hernandez Luna	Pena
Bonnen	Hilderbran	Perry
Branch	Hochberg	Phillips
Brown	Hopson	Pickett
Burkett	Howard of Fort Bend	Pitts
Burnam	Howard of Travis	Price
Button	Huberty	Quintanilla
Cain	Hughes	Raymond
Callegari	Hunter	Reynolds
Carter	Isaac	Riddle
Castro	Jackson	Ritter
Chisum	Johnson	Rodriguez
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Coleman	King of Parker	Scott
Cook	King of Taylor	Sheets
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Deshotel	Lavender	Strama
Driver	Legler	Taylor of Collin
Dukes	Lewis	Taylor of Galveston
Dutton	Lozano	Thompson
Eiland	Lucio III	Torres
Eissler	Lyne	Truitt
Elkins	Madden	Turner
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Farrar	Margo	Villarreal
Fletcher	Marquez	Vo
Flynn	Martinez	Walle
Frullo	Martinez Fischer	Weber
Gallego	McClendon	White
Garza	Menendez	Woolley
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H.R. No. 941

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 941 was adopted by the House on March 29, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House