

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 163

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the cities of Tyler, Kilgore, and Longview as they join together to celebrate East Texas Coalition Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Situated in the Piney Woods area of East Texas, Tyler, Kilgore, and Longview share the virtues of great natural beauty, abundant resources, and an energetic and engaged populace; they have all played a vital role in the growth and prosperity of our state; and

WHEREAS, Tyler is acknowledged as the area's preeminent medical center, has multiple institutions of higher education, and is home to the renowned Texas Rose Festival and the Municipal Rose Garden and Museum; and

WHEREAS, Kilgore is an important center for the oil and high technology industries, and Kilgore College offers such outstanding cultural attractions as the Texas Shakespeare Festival and the world-famous Kilgore Rangerettes; and

WHEREAS, Longview is the largest city in Gregg County and is home to LeTourneau University; it boasts exemplary institutions such as the Longview Museum of Fine Arts, several other museums, and the Great Texas Balloon Race; and

WHEREAS, The citizens of these three great cities look confidently toward the future while continuing to embrace their rich and colorful past; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend the citizens of Tyler, Kilgore, and Longview for their many important contributions to the legacy of this state and extend to them best wishes for a memorable East Texas Coalition Day at the State Capitol; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for them as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 31, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate