

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 166

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the citizens of Hill County and Texans across the state in celebrating February 23, 2011, as Hill County Day at the State Capitol; and

**WHEREAS**, Situated on the scenic prairies and rolling hills east of the Brazos River, Hill County was established on February 7, 1853, and was named for Dr. George Washington Hill, secretary of war for the Republic of Texas under President Sam Houston; and

**WHEREAS**, The citizens of Hill County have maintained the charm and friendliness of a small rural county while adapting to the rapid pace of today's changing world; the historic county courthouse in Hillsboro has been restored to its 1890s splendor and continues to serve as the hub for county business; and

**WHEREAS**, The birthplace of legendary singer and songwriter Willie Nelson, Hill County provides numerous recreational and cultural opportunities for residents and visitors alike, from Lake Whitney State Park to numerous fairs and festivals to Hill College's acclaimed Performing Arts Series; the college also houses the Texas Heritage Museum with its famous Audie Murphy exhibit and a historical research center with a 10,000-volume library on the Civil War; and

**WHEREAS**, The citizens of Hill County look confidently to the future while embracing their illustrious past; it is truly fitting that their home be honored on this special day; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend the people of Hill County on their many contributions to the rich history and culture of our state and extend to them best wishes for a memorable Hill County 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 February 2, 2011.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate