

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Proud community members from eastern Hidalgo County  
2 are gathering in Austin on January 31, 2013, to celebrate  
3 Edcouch-Elsa Day at the State Capitol; and

4           WHEREAS, The two communities are both situated in the Delta  
5 Area of the Lower Rio Grande Valley; Elsa was established in 1927,  
6 when William George convinced operators of the Texas and New  
7 Orleans Railroad to lay tracks across his land; he laid out a town  
8 site next to the tracks and named the new community after his wife;  
9 that same year, banker and landowner Edward Couch platted a town on  
10 property two miles to the east of Elsa; Edcouch and Elsa were  
11 incorporated in 1933 and 1940, respectively, and their populations  
12 grew steadily in the decades leading into the 21st century; and

13           WHEREAS, In recent years, the Delta Area has enjoyed  
14 increased economic development, and it benefits from the efforts of  
15 the Edcouch-Elsa La Villa Chamber of Commerce to support local  
16 businesses; adding to the quality of life in Edcouch and Elsa are a  
17 new library, a number of local civic groups, and a variety of  
18 special events sponsored by those organizations; and

19           WHEREAS, Students in these communities are served by the  
20 Edcouch-Elsa Independent School District, which encompasses a high  
21 school, a junior high school, a middle school for fifth- and  
22 sixth-grade students, four elementary schools, and an early  
23 childhood center; in addition, the district is partnered with such  
24 organizations as the Llano Grande Center for Research and

1 Development, a college readiness program that promotes leadership  
2 and critical thinking skills by engaging students in community  
3 projects; and

4 WHEREAS, Joining together to celebrate their rich heritage,  
5 the hardworking and industrious residents of Edcouch and Elsa may  
6 reflect with pride on the many contributions they have made toward  
7 building a bright future for their families and their communities;  
8 now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
10 Legislature hereby recognize January 31, 2013, as Edcouch-Elsa Day  
11 at the State Capitol and extend to all those in attendance sincere  
12 best wishes for an enjoyable visit to Austin.

Canales  
Longoria

Straus	M. Gonzalez of El Paso	Oliveira
Allen	N. Gonzalez of El Paso	Orr
Alonzo	Gooden	Otto
Alvarado	Guerra	Paddie
Anchia	Guillen	Parker
Anderson	Gutierrez	Patrick
Ashby	Harless	Perez
Aycock	Harper-Brown	Perry
Bell	Hernandez Luna	Phillips
Bohac	Herrero	Pickett
Bonnen of Brazoria	Hilderbran	Pitts
Bonnen of Galveston	Howard	Price
Branch	Huberty	Raney
Burkett	Hughes	Ratliff
Burnam	Hunter	Raymond
Button	Isaac	Reynolds
Callegari	Johnson	Riddle
Canales	Kacal	Ritter
Capriglione	Keffer	Rodriguez of Bexar
Carter	King of Hemphill	Rodriguez of Travis
Clardy	King of Parker	Rose
Coleman	King of Taylor	Sanford
Collier	King of Zavala	Schaefer
Cook	Kleinschmidt	Sheets
Cortez	Klick	Sheffield of Bell
Craddick	Kolkhorst	Sheffield of Coryell
Creighton	Krause	Simmons
Crownover	Kuempel	Simpson
Dale	Larson	Smith
Darby	Laubenberg	Smithee
Davis of Dallas	Lavender	Springer
J. Davis of Harris	Leach	Stephenson
S. Davis of Harris	Lewis	Stickland
Deshotel	Longoria	Strama
Dukes	Lozano	Taylor
Dutton	Lucio III	Thompson of Brazoria
Eiland	Marquez	Thompson of Harris
Elkins	Martinez	Toth
Fallon	Martinez Fischer	Turner of Collin
Farias	McClendon	Turner of Harris
Farney	Menendez	Turner of Tarrant
Farrar	Miles	Villalba
Fletcher	Miller of Comal	Villarreal
Flynn	Miller of Fort Bend	Vo
Frank	Moody	Walle
Frullo	Morrison	White
Geren	Munoz, Jr.	Workman
Giddings	Murphy	Wu
Goldman	Naishtat	Zedler
Gonzales	Nevarez	Zerwas

H.R. No. 262

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 262 was adopted by the House on January 31, 2013, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House