

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud citizens of Victoria are gathering in Austin
2 on March 6, 2013, to celebrate Victoria Day at the State Capitol;
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4 WHEREAS, Founded in 1824 by Martin de Leon, the city was named
5 Guadalupe Victoria after the first president of Mexico; it was
6 renamed Victoria after the Texas Revolution and incorporated under
7 the Republic of Texas in 1839; and

8 WHEREAS, Later that century, Victoria became a major junction
9 on the routes between San Antonio, Austin, northern Mexico, and the
10 ports of the Gulf Coast, and at the same time developed into a
11 center for ranching; one of the first meat-packing plants was
12 established there in 1869; and

13 WHEREAS, Today agribusiness, the petrochemical industry, and
14 tourism all contribute to the city's prosperity; in addition,
15 Victoria is an educational and cultural hub for the Coastal Bend;
16 students benefit from the outstanding teachers and scholars of
17 Victoria College and the University of Houston--Victoria, while
18 patrons delight in the annual seasons of the Victoria Ballet
19 Theatre, the Victoria Symphony, and Theatre Victoria, as well as
20 the exhibitions of contemporary art at the Nave Museum; and

21 WHEREAS, Victoria's rich history is evoked in artifacts
22 showcased at the Museum of the Coastal Bend and by the Romanesque
23 Revival architecture of the Victoria County Courthouse and the
24 O'Connor-Proctor Building; moreover, De Leon Plaza, one of four

1 public squares set aside by the city's founder, is filled with
2 monuments and memorials; other popular attractions include the
3 Texas Zoo, featuring more than 150 native animals, Riverside Park,
4 with more than 560 acres of woodland, and Fossati's Delicatessen,
5 the oldest deli in Texas; and

6 WHEREAS, Combining the best qualities of small-town life with
7 all the advantages of a thriving mid-size city, Victoria is one of
8 the treasures of the Lone Star State, and its appealing mix of
9 history and culture make it an excellent place to live, work, and
10 raise a family; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
12 Legislature hereby recognize March 6, 2013, as Victoria Day at the
13 State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere best
14 wishes for a meaningful and memorable visit to Austin.

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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. 578

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 578 was adopted by the House on March 6, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House