

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Citizens of Jefferson and Orange Counties are
2 gathering in Austin on March 3-5, 2013, to celebrate Golden
3 Triangle Days at the State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Hundreds of visitors from throughout this
5 energy-rich and culturally unique region, anchored by the cities of
6 Beaumont, Orange, and Port Arthur, have come to meet with state
7 officials to express appreciation for their work and to inform
8 lawmakers of opportunities to further strengthen these
9 communities; and

10 WHEREAS, With more than \$20 billion worth of recent and
11 upcoming energy-related investments, Jefferson and Orange Counties
12 are making significant strides toward meeting the energy and
13 chemical manufacturing needs of the state, country, and world; the
14 area is home to the nation's largest oil refinery and to the
15 Sabine-Neches Waterway, the fourth-largest ship channel in the
16 country in tonnage and a vital asset to both the regional economy
17 and the national energy and military transportation network; in
18 addition to supporting the area's major ports, the waterway links
19 to an extensive rail and pipeline system that supplies fuel to
20 communities far and wide; and

21 WHEREAS, The educational needs of the Golden Triangle are met
22 by such fine institutions as Lamar University, Lamar State
23 College--Orange, Lamar State College--Port Arthur, and the Lamar
24 Institute of Technology, as well as many other education and

1 training resources that provide the area with a workforce-ready
2 population; and

3 WHEREAS, Reflecting its distinctive contributions to the
4 history and culture of Texas, this proud region boasts a number of
5 popular tourist attractions, including the Texas Energy Museum, the
6 Art Museum of Southeast Texas, and Gator Country Adventure Park,
7 and each spring the city of Beaumont hosts the South Texas State
8 Fair; those looking to explore the natural wonders of the area can
9 enjoy the sights and recreational activities of the Shangri La
10 Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, the Big Thicket National
11 Preserve, and the McFaddin National Wildlife Refuge; and

12 WHEREAS, The public-spirited citizens of the Golden Triangle
13 are at work building a bright future for their region, and it is
14 indeed a pleasure to acknowledge their dedicated efforts in behalf
15 of their communities and the state at large; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
17 Legislature hereby recognize March 3-5, 2013, as Golden Triangle
18 Days at the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the visiting
19 delegation.

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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. 654

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 654 was adopted by the House on March 4, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House