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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud citizens of Hewitt are gathering in Austin on  
2 March 5, 2013, to celebrate Hewitt Day at the State Capitol; and

3 WHEREAS, Hewitt was first established in 1882 as a station on  
4 the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad; in 1893, John Allison  
5 Warren bought the township around the station and named it after  
6 George A. Hewitt, a director of the Katy Railroad; he named the  
7 town's first street Warren, and the second street Johnson, his  
8 wife's maiden name; and

9 WHEREAS, For years, Hewitt was a thriving farming community;  
10 area residents raised cattle and grew corn and cotton on the rich  
11 Blackland Prairie; crops were then shipped to market by rail or  
12 wagon from Hewitt; and

13 WHEREAS, The town was incorporated in 1960, and began to grow  
14 as people who worked in nearby Waco bought homes there; during the  
15 1980s, Hewitt was the fastest-growing town in McLennan County, and  
16 it remains the second-largest community in the county, with a  
17 current population of nearly 14,000; and

18 WHEREAS, Today, Hewitt continues to grow and thrive; in 2009,  
19 it was named one of the top 100 places to live in the United States  
20 by *Money* magazine, recognized for its economic opportunity, good  
21 schools, safe streets, and affordable homes; and

22 WHEREAS, Celebrating their past even as they look forward to  
23 a bright future, the people of Hewitt may take great pride in the  
24 charm and vitality of their unique community, where they enjoy

1 "Life Just Right"; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
3 Legislature hereby recognize March 5, 2013, as Hewitt Day at the  
4 State Capitol and extend to the delegation sincere best wishes for a  
5 memorable and enjoyable visit to Austin.