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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Many proud residents of Seagoville are visiting  
2 Austin on March 6, 2013, in celebration of this illustrious town and  
3 its contributions to the State of Texas; and

4           WHEREAS, Founded in 1876, the community was originally named  
5 Seago, after T. K. Seago, a settler who established the town's first  
6 general store; area residents gained rail connections in 1881, when  
7 the Texas Trunk Railroad built through the town, and the first  
8 official plat was recorded in the Dallas County deed records in  
9 1883; in 1910, the post office department changed the town's name to  
10 Seagoville to avoid confusion with a similarly named community; and

11           WHEREAS, Located in the rich Blackland Prairie region near  
12 the Trinity River, Seagoville was initially an agricultural center;  
13 the town had a cotton gin and a steam gristmill by 1885, and nearby  
14 farmers shipped cotton and alfalfa; today, the economy is more  
15 diversified, but residents and businesses alike may still take  
16 advantage of the area's reasonable land prices; and

17           WHEREAS, The inhabitants of Seagoville delight in their  
18 community's small-town atmosphere, yet the town's proximity to the  
19 Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex gives residents and visitors easy  
20 access to a wide range of big-city cultural and sports activities;  
21 thus, the community truly embodies the best aspects of both rural  
22 and urban life; and

23           WHEREAS, Seagoville also boasts a variety of outdoor  
24 recreational opportunities at its numerous parks, tennis

1 facilities, and senior citizen and youth centers; nearby Lake Ray  
2 Hubbard offers nearly 23,000 acres for fishing and water sports,  
3 while nature lovers can learn more about the area at the Post Oak  
4 Preserve and the Dallas Independent School District Environmental  
5 Education Center; and

6 WHEREAS, Each October, the community celebrates the  
7 migration of the beautiful monarch butterfly during Seagofest, a  
8 fun-filled event for the entire family that provides a welcome  
9 opportunity for residents to pay tribute to their shared history  
10 and culture; and

11 WHEREAS, The industrious citizens of Seagoville are  
12 preserving their rich heritage while working to build an even  
13 brighter future, and it is a privilege to commend them on this  
14 special occasion; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
16 Legislature hereby recognize March 6, 2013, as Seagoville Day at  
17 the State Capitol and join the citizens of that town in honoring one  
18 of Texas' finest communities.