

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Harrison County are gathering to
2 celebrate Harrison County Day at the State Capitol on March 21,
3 2013; and

4 WHEREAS, Situated among the rolling piney woods of East
5 Texas, Harrison County was first inhabited by the Caddo people, and
6 large numbers of non-Native American settlers began to arrive in
7 the 1830s; the county was established by the Republic of Texas in
8 1839 and named after Texas revolutionary leader Jonas Harrison; and

9 WHEREAS, The city of Marshall, founded in 1841, became the
10 county seat the following year; at the time of the Civil War, it was
11 one of the most populous and prosperous cities in the state, and it
12 produced a large amount of saddles, clothing, gunpowder, and
13 ammunition for the Confederate Army; and

14 WHEREAS, Cotton was the basis for the county's economy for
15 many years and continued to be important well into the 20th century;
16 in addition, the red and white clay soils of the region are
17 excellent for stoneware, and the county is home to numerous pottery
18 companies, including Marshall Pottery, which was established in
19 1896 and remains one of the largest manufacturers of red clay pots
20 in the nation; the area's diverse economy is further enhanced by the
21 lumber industry, oil and gas production, manufacturing, and
22 ranching and farming; and

23 WHEREAS, Outdoor enthusiasts may take advantage of the fine
24 opportunities for camping, hiking, fishing, and boating at Caddo

1 Lake State Park, home of the only natural lake in Texas, while those
2 interested in the county's past can appreciate the revitalized
3 downtown Marshall, which benefited from the Main Street Program and
4 other initiatives of the Texas Historical Commission; the 1901
5 County Courthouse and the Texas and Pacific Railway Museum and
6 Depot have been restored, and the nearby Ginocchio National
7 Historic District preserves several other fine examples of early
8 Texas architecture; additionally, the Starr Family Home State
9 Historic Site showcases a family that was a major contributor to the
10 growth of the railroad and cotton industries and the settling of the
11 frontier of Texas in the late 1800s; and

12 WHEREAS, The educational needs of Harrison County are met by
13 such fine institutions as Wiley College, East Texas Baptist
14 University, and Texas State Technical College; those schools'
15 cultural offerings are supplemented by the Michelson Museum of Art,
16 which features work by several important early 20th century
17 artists; and

18 WHEREAS, Residents and visitors alike enjoy the county's
19 colorful annual festivals, including the FireAnt Festival and
20 Western Days in October and the yearly Wonderland of Lights, which
21 is held in Marshall during the holiday season and draws visitors
22 from all 50 states and around the world; and

23 WHEREAS, Celebrating their rich heritage as they work toward
24 a bright tomorrow, the citizens of Harrison County may indeed take
25 great pride in their unique contribution to the history and culture
26 of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

27 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas

H.R. No. 890

1 Legislature hereby recognize March 21, 2013, as Harrison County Day
2 at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere
3 best wishes for an informative and enjoyable stay in Austin.

Paddie

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. 890

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 890 was adopted by the House on March 21, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House