By: Gonzales H.R. No. 1441

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Proud citizens of Hutto are gathering in Austin on

2 April 23, 2013, to celebrate Hutto Day at the State Capitol; and

3 WHEREAS, Situated on the rich blackland soils of southeastern

4 Williamson County, the Hutto area was settled in 1855 by James E.

5 Hutto and Adam Orgain, a freed slave; the town was founded in 1876

6 around a depot of the International-Great Northern Railroad, and it

7 soon became a center for cotton farming; the town was incorporated

8 in 1911; and

9 WHEREAS, A century later, Hutto benefits from its location at

10 the intersection of two busy major highways, US 79 and SH-130, and

11 its proximity to the NAFTA corridor along I-35; the city's

12 population has soared from 1,250 in 2000 to more than 18,000 today,

13 and its welcoming environment for business has earned it

14 recognition from Southern Business and Development magazine as one

15 of the Top 10 Edge Markets and one of the Top 100 "Best Places in the

16 South to Locate Your Company"; and

17 WHEREAS, The Hutto Independent School District is one of the

18 fastest growing districts in Texas, increasing enrollment at the

19 rate of 20 percent a year, and in 2008, voters approved a \$128.5

20 million bond package; the city is also increasing opportunities for

21 adult students, and the fall of 2013 will see the opening of a new,

22 57-acre campus of the East Williamson County Higher Education

23 Center; in addition, Hutto residents have approved funding for the

24 creation of a park system and a 25,000-square-foot YMCA facility;

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- 1 and
- WHEREAS, Home to an educated workforce, a motivated city
- 3 government, and a healthy business climate, Hutto is building on
- 4 its rich, small-town heritage of hard work and neighborliness to
- 5 prepare itself for a dynamic future as a smart place to live, work,
- 6 and prosper; now, therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby recognize April 23, 2013, as Hutto Day at the
- 9 State Capitol and extend to the Hutto delegation sincere best
- 10 wishes for an enjoyable and memorable visit to Austin.