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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Missouri City are gathering in
2 Austin on May 2, 2013, to celebrate Missouri City Day at the State
3 Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Situated along the Brazos River a few miles
5 southwest of Houston, the town was created by real estate promoters
6 R. M. Cash and L. E. Luckle, who called it a "land of genial sunshine
7 and eternal summer"; another promoter, W. R. McElroy, named it
8 Missouri City to attract residents of St. Louis; registered in
9 1894, the "Show Me City" was originally an agricultural hub for
10 local farmers and ranchers, shipping cotton, corn, cattle, and
11 sugarcane, and oil and natural gas were discovered nearby in the
12 1920s; the city was incorporated in 1956; and

13 WHEREAS, Today, this thriving community of 70,000 people is
14 winning accolades as an ideal place to live and raise a family; *CNN*
15 *Money* magazine has listed the city in the top 100 Best Places to
16 Live among the nation's small cities and as one of the nation's 10
17 most affordable cities; *CQ Press* has placed it among the 100 safest
18 towns in America, and a Rice University study cited it as one of the
19 most diverse municipalities in the Houston area; and

20 WHEREAS, Missouri City's residents may take advantage of the
21 many fine opportunities for recreation, including nearly two dozen
22 parks, a 25,000-square-foot Recreation and Tennis Center, and the
23 city-owned, 36-hole Quail Valley Golf Course, which was named Best
24 Value Under \$50 by *Avid Golfer* magazine; and

1 WHEREAS, Conveniently located only minutes from the
2 amenities of Houston, Missouri City is strategically located close
3 to major freeways and rail lines, George Bush Intercontinental
4 Airport and William P. Hobby Airport, and the Port of Houston;
5 commuters benefit from ready access to two METRO Park and Ride
6 locations; and

7 WHEREAS, The residents of Missouri City may indeed take great
8 pride in their dynamic community and in the care with which they are
9 building a bright tomorrow while preserving the city's small-town
10 charm; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
12 Legislature hereby recognize May 2, 2013, as Missouri City Day at
13 the State Capitol and extend to the delegation sincere best wishes
14 for a memorable and meaningful visit to Austin.