

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 76

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the citizens of Val Verde County and Texans across the state in celebrating Val Verde County Day at the Capitol; and

**WHEREAS**, Val Verde County is situated in southwest Texas along the Mexican border; early settlers were drawn by the numerous springs that flowed in the area and drained into the Pecos and Devils Rivers; and

**WHEREAS**, Val Verde County was organized in 1885 out of territory carved from Crockett, Kinney, and Pecos Counties; that same year, Roy Bean of Langtry was elected justice of the peace; Del Rio became the county seat; and

**WHEREAS**, The county's Amistad Dam and Reservoir is a joint United States-Mexico project bounded by Val Verde County and the Mexican state of Coahuila; Lake Amistad Dam International Crossing connects Del Rio and its sister city, Ciudad Acuña in neighboring Mexico; and

**WHEREAS**, Laughlin Air Force Base, home of the 47th Flying Training Wing of the Air Education and Training Command, is another important feature of Val Verde County; the facility commands a flying operation that exceeds 86,000 flying hours and 58,000 sorties each year, making it one of the busiest Air Force bases in the country; and

**WHEREAS**, Val Verde County Day at the Capitol is an opportunity for its citizens to celebrate its distinguished history and the many contributions its people have made to the growth and progress of our state; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby express appreciation to the citizens of Val Verde County on their many contributions to our state and extend to them a warm welcome to Austin as they celebrate Val Verde County Day at the Capitol; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this special occasion.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 6, 2013.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate