

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 125**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to welcome representatives of Denton County to Austin on the occasion of Denton County Days at the State Capitol; and

**WHEREAS**, First settled in the early 1840s, Denton County was created in 1846 out of land from the original Peters Colony Grant and was named for John B. Denton, a pioneer lawyer and Methodist minister; the City of Denton serves as the county seat; the historic Denton County Courthouse was dedicated in 1897 and, with its limestone exterior and majestic clock tower, is one of the region's most impressive sights; and

**WHEREAS**, Denton County is noted for its emphasis on education; the county has 11 outstanding public school districts and is home to such distinguished institutions as the University of North Texas, Texas Woman's University, and North Central Texas College; and

**WHEREAS**, Denton County has experienced rapid growth in recent years, and the 2010 census placed its population at 662,614; its cities and chambers of commerce provide a welcoming business climate, and the county is ranked seventh on *Money Magazine's* 2012 list of Best Places to Live -- Where the Jobs Are; and

**WHEREAS**, Cultural and recreational opportunities like the Texas Motor Speedway, Lake Ray Roberts, and Lewisville Lake contribute to the region's thriving economy and progressive development; and

**WHEREAS**, The visiting Denton County delegation is composed of mayors and civic, business, and educational leaders and is headed by County Judge Mary Horn and County Commissioners

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Hugh Coleman, Ron Marchant, Bobbie J. Mitchell, and Andy Eads; the citizens of Denton County are justifiably proud of the county's many contributions to the growth and prosperity of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby join the Denton County delegation in celebrating February 18 and 19, 2013, as Denton County Days and extend to all best wishes for a memorable event; and, be it further

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

Nelson, Estes

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 11, 2013.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate

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