SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 265

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the residents of Collin County in proclaiming March 4 and 5, 2013, Collin County Days at the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, A thriving county in the heart of North Texas, Collin County is the seventh most populous in the state; with an estimated 74 people moving into the county each day, it is now home to over 800,000 residents; and

WHEREAS, Eight of the 10 fastest-growing cities in North Texas are in Collin County; Plano is the county's largest city and offers nationally recognized schools and award-winning parks; the City of McKinney, the county seat, was recently ranked number two on the Best Places to Live in America list published by *Money* magazine; and

WHEREAS, Collin County's economy remains strong and vibrant, and the county's reasonable housing costs and low property taxes attract new residents from across the nation; the median family income is higher than the national median family income by almost \$30,000; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, the county's infrastructure has been skillfully managed to meet the area's industrial development and population growth, and its vital road and highway projects continue to keep pace with its fast growth; and

WHEREAS, Collin County maintains an excellent public education system, and it has a highly educated workforce; the county offers attractive scenery and excellent recreational opportunities, and its inviting, friendly communities are welcoming to individuals, families, and corporations; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend the citizens of Collin County on their county's many amenities and its rapid growth and extend best wishes to them on the occasion of Collin County Days at the Capitol; and, be it further

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

Estes, Paxton

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 5, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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