

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 304

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the residents of Hudspeth County as they celebrate February 27, 2013, as Hudspeth County Day at the Capitol; and

**WHEREAS**, This mineral-rich county is celebrated for its scenic vistas, natural springs, and broad blue skies; occupying 4,500 square miles in the Trans-Pecos region of Texas, Hudspeth County embodies the mythos of the American West; and

**WHEREAS**, The county was formed from land in El Paso County in 1917 and named after State Senator Claude Benton Hudspeth; the area has been populated for centuries, however, and its history encompasses a diverse range of cultures, from prehistoric hunter-gatherer societies to the economically rewarding agricultural communities of today; and

**WHEREAS**, Located in the Chihuahuan Desert, Hudspeth County is both strikingly rugged and agriculturally fertile; its farmers are famous for their pima cotton and cantaloupe crops, and cattle ranching is a mainstay; and

**WHEREAS**, Residents of Hudspeth County enjoy recreational destinations such as the Guadalupe Mountains National Park and unique attractions like the Hudspeth County Courthouse, which is the only adobe courthouse in Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, This picturesque corner of the Lone Star State is a West Texas jewel, and its people are known for their confidence and their pioneering spirit; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby recognize February 27, 2013, as Hudspeth County Day at the Capitol and extend best wishes for an enjoyable day to the residents of Hudspeth County; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of Hudspeth County.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 27, 2013.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate