SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 566

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize May 2, 2013, as Missouri City Day at the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Located along the Brazos River with fertile green prairies, Missouri City was first coined the "land of genial sunshine and eternal summer" in 1890 by R. M. Cash and L. E. Luckle when advertising to residents in Saint Louis, Missouri; the city was officially registered in Texas in 1894 and, with a population of 604, the "Show Me City" was incorporated under the general laws of the State of Texas in 1956; and

WHEREAS, Today, Missouri City is a magnificent home-ruled community with an estimated population of 70,000; with a first-class reputation, the city has been selected as one of the Top 100 Best Places to Live in America, as one of the Safest Cities in America, as the Most Diverse City in the Houston Area, and as one of the nation's Top 10 Most Affordable Cities for Homebuyers in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Missouri City provides many recreational alternatives to its residents through its beautiful parks, the Recreation and Tennis Center, and the Quail Valley Golf Course, which is a city-owned award-winning golf course with 400 acres and 36 holes and was recently named the number one Best Value Under \$50; and

WHEREAS, Missouri City is conveniently located only minutes from downtown Houston and all of the amenities the metropolitan area has to offer while maintaining its small town appeal for residents; it is close to major freeways, rail lines, the Port of Houston, and Bush and Hobby Airports; mobility is

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improved for commuters through two Metro Park and Ride locations; Missouri City's strategic location links its businesses with customers around the nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend the residents of Missouri City on preserving the amenities of their town and guiding its growth with care and extend best wishes to all on Missouri City Day at the Capitol; and, be it further

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

Huffman

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 30, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate