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H.R. No. 546

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Citizens from Denton County are gathering in Austin
2 on February 24, 2015, to celebrate Denton County Day at the State
3 Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Located in North Texas, Denton County was created by
5 the Texas Legislature in 1846 and named for pioneer preacher,
6 lawyer, and soldier John Bunyan Denton; the early years of the
7 county saw its emergence as an agricultural center, and the arrival
8 of the railroads in the 1880s ensured that the area's wheat and
9 cotton would find distribution across the country; and

10 WHEREAS, The county has witnessed remarkable growth in recent
11 years, as its population tripled over the past two decades, and in
12 2013, Richard Florida, author of *The Rise of the Creative Class*,
13 designated Denton County as the number 6 "high-tech hot spot" in the
14 nation; and

15 WHEREAS, Denton is home to the University of North Texas and
16 Texas Woman's University, which were founded as Texas Normal
17 College and Girls' Industrial College in 1890 and 1903,
18 respectively, as well as a campus of North Central Texas College,
19 and the alumni of these schools have gone on to make their mark on
20 the history of Texas and the nation; and

21 WHEREAS, Further attractions in the area include the beauty
22 of the North Texas Greenbelt, the architecture of the Denton County
23 Courthouse-on-the-Square, the majesty of the North Texas Horse
24 Country, and the action of the Texas Motor Speedway; and

1 WHEREAS, Celebrating their rich history even as they work to
2 build a bright future, the citizens of Denton County are
3 justifiably proud of their community, and it is most fitting to take
4 this opportunity to honor their contribution to the story of the
5 Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
7 Legislature hereby recognize February 24, 2015, as Denton County
8 Day at the State Capitol and extend best wishes to the members of
9 the visiting delegation for an enjoyable and memorable stay in
10 Austin.