

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Belton are gathering in Austin on
2 March 12, 2015, to celebrate City of Belton Day at the State
3 Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, When Bell County was founded in 1850, the centrally
5 located county seat was originally named Nolanville, but when the
6 Fourth Legislature of Texas incorporated the town in 1851, the name
7 was changed to Belton; the courthouse square developed into a
8 regional trading center, especially for the processing and shipping
9 of local cotton crops, and the late 1800s brought a number of cattle
10 drives through the area to the nearby Chisholm Trail; and

11 WHEREAS, Belton is home to the University of Mary
12 Hardin-Baylor, an outstanding institution of higher education
13 chartered by the Republic of Texas in 1845, and the town's 19,000
14 residents benefit from the cultural and educational opportunities
15 that it provides, as well as from more than 160 acres of parkland,
16 highlighted by the Nolan Creek Hike and Bike Trail; and

17 WHEREAS, Tourists are attracted to Belton's elegant historic
18 buildings and numerous parks and outdoor recreational activities;
19 the downtown courthouse, built in 1885, is an architectural beauty,
20 and Belton Lake and the meandering Nolan Creek offer hikers and
21 cyclists ample room for exploration; the city's annual Independence
22 Day Celebration, which began in 1852, has grown into a weeklong
23 event that includes a parade, carnival, arts and crafts festival,
24 cattle drive, and professional rodeo; and

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1 WHEREAS, Celebrating their rich and colorful history as they
2 work together to build a bright future, the citizens of Belton may
3 take justifiable pride in the small-town charm of their hometown;
4 now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
6 Legislature hereby recognize March 12, 2015, as City of Belton Day
7 at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere
8 best wishes for an informative and enjoyable stay in Austin.

White of Bell

Straus	González	Paddie
Allen	Guerra	Parker
Alonzo	Guillen	Paul
Alvarado	Gutierrez	Peña
Anchia	Harless	Phelan
Anderson of Dallas	Hernandez	Phillips
Anderson of McLennan	Herrero	Pickett
Ashby	Howard	Price
Aycock	Huberty	Raney
Bell	Hughes	Raymond
Bernal	Hunter	Reynolds
Blanco	Isaac	Riddle
Bohac	Israel	Rinaldi
Bonnen of Brazoria	Johnson	Rodriguez of Bexar
Bonnen of Galveston	Kacal	Rodriguez of Travis
Burkett	Keffer	Romero, Jr.
Burns	Keough	Rose
Burrows	King of Hemphill	Sanford
Button	King of Parker	Schaefer
Canales	King of Taylor	Schofield
Capriglione	King of Uvalde	Schubert
Clardy	Klick	Shaheen
Coleman	Koop	Sheets
Collier	Krause	Sheffield
Cook	Kuempel	Simmons
Craddick	Landgraf	Simpson
Crownover	Larson	Smith
Cyrier	Laubenberg	Smithee
Dale	Leach	Spitzer
Darby	Longoria	Springer
Davis of Dallas	Lozano	Stephenson
Davis of Harris	Lucio III	Stickland
Deshotel	Márquez	Thompson of Brazoria
Dukes	Martinez	Thompson of Harris
Dutton	Martinez Fischer	Tinderholt
Elkins	McClendon	Turner of Collin
Faircloth	Metcalf	Turner of Harris
Fallon	Meyer	Turner of Tarrant
Farias	Miles	VanDeaver
Farney	Miller of Comal	Villalba
Farrar	Miller of Fort Bend	Vo
Fletcher	Moody	Walle
Flynn	Morrison	White of Bell
Frank	Muñoz, Jr.	White of Tyler
Frullo	Murphy	Workman
Galindo	Murr	Wray
Geren	Naishtat	Wu
Giddings	Nevárez	Zedler
Goldman	Oliveira	Zerwas
Gonzales	Otto	

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1139 was adopted by the House on March 12, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House