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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Citizens and business leaders of Montgomery County
- 2 are gathering in Austin on March 24, 2015, to celebrate Montgomery
- 3 County Day at the State Capitol; and
- WHEREAS, Situated at the southern edge of the Piney Woods of
- 5 East Texas, Montgomery County was established by the Congress of
- 6 the Republic of Texas in 1837; the county is officially
- 7 acknowledged as the Birthplace of the Lone Star Flag because the
- 8 design presented by resident Dr. Charles B. Stewart was adopted by
- 9 the Texas Congress in 1839 and has remained the banner of the state
- 10 since it joined the Union in 1845; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The arrival of the railroads in the 1870s and 1880s
- 12 sparked a lumber boom that revived Montgomery County's agricultural
- 13 economy after the Civil War; Houston lumberman Isaac Conroe
- 14 established a sawmill at a railroad junction near Stewarts Creek in
- 15 1881, and the town of Conroe that grew up around the mill became the
- 16 largest town in the county and was named the county seat in 1889;
- 17 and
- WHEREAS, In 1931, the discovery of oil triggered yet another
- 19 financial upsurge in the area, and today, oil production, the
- 20 lumber industry, and ranching further the county's prosperity;
- 21 visitors from across the state are drawn to the region's vibrant
- 22 historical and cultural establishments, and outdoor enthusiasts
- 23 enjoy the recreational opportunities at Sam Houston National
- 24 Forest, W. Goodrich Jones State Forest, and Lake Conroe Park;

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- 1 additionally, The Woodlands, a master-planned community, is home to
- 2 the Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, a major concert venue as well
- 3 as the summer residence of the Houston Symphony; and
- WHEREAS, This visit to the State Capitol was organized by the
- 5 Conroe/Lake Conroe, Woodlands Area, Magnolia Parkway, Magnolia,
- 6 East Montgomery, and Montgomery Area Chambers of Commerce; members
- 7 of each association work to improve and strengthen economic
- 8 development and the quality of life throughout Montgomery County,
- 9 which, with a current population of approximately half a million
- 10 people, is one of the fastest growing counties in the nation; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Celebrating their rich past as they look forward to
- 12 a bright future, the residents of Montgomery County may take great
- 13 pride in their continuing contributions to the history and heritage
- 14 of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 16 Legislature hereby recognize March 24, 2015, as Montgomery County
- 17 Day at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation
- 18 sincere best wishes for an informative and enjoyable stay in
- 19 Austin.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that $H.R.\ No.\ 1210$ was adopted by the House on March 24, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House