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R E S O L U T I O N

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

4 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

18 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;

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

4 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

15 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.