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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Marshall are gathering in Austin on
2 April 29, 2015, to celebrate City of Marshall Day at the State
3 Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Located near the Texas-Louisiana border in the
5 beautiful rolling hills of East Texas, the city was named in honor
6 of John Marshall, chief justice of the U.S. Supreme Court from 1801
7 to 1835, and it has served as the seat of Harrison County since
8 1842; and

9 WHEREAS, Marshall had become one of the largest and
10 wealthiest towns in the region by 1860, and its success was due in
11 large part to the railway system that supported the town's
12 commercial and industrial development and sizable agricultural
13 industry; and

14 WHEREAS, Today, it is home to four institutions of higher
15 learning: East Texas Baptist University, Texas State Technical
16 College, Wiley College, and Marshall College Center of Panola
17 College; it is an important retail and manufacturing center, with
18 oil and gas production also contributing to its economy;
19 additionally, residents have built a flourishing ceramics trade,
20 and it has become widely known as the Pottery Capital of East Texas;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, Citizens of Marshall demonstrate a deep commitment
23 to preserving their heritage, and the Ginocchio National Historic
24 District features one of the state's finest examples of Victorian

1 hotel architecture, the 1896 Ginocchio Hotel; the city is also the
2 site of the Texas and Pacific Railroad Depot Museum, the Allen
3 House, the Weisman Center, and the Harrison County Historical
4 Museum; and

5 WHEREAS, Declared by the city commission as the Birthplace of
6 Boogie Woogie, Marshall celebrates this unique distinction with a
7 variety of music events throughout the year; the Marshall Regional
8 Arts Council sponsors performances, and the Michelson Museum of
9 Art, the Marshall Symphony, and the Marshall Visual Art Center all
10 contribute to the cultural vibrancy of this remarkable East Texas
11 community; and

12 WHEREAS, Celebrating their rich and colorful history as they
13 work to build a bright future, the citizens of Marshall may take
14 justifiable pride in the important role their town continues to
15 play in the story of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
17 Legislature hereby recognize April 29, 2015, as City of Marshall
18 Day at the State Capitol and extend to all those who are visiting
19 sincere best wishes for an enjoyable and informative trip to
20 Austin.