

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 734

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the citizens of Caldwell County and Texans across the state in celebrating May 13, 2015, as Caldwell County Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Caldwell County was formed in 1848 out of territory from Bastrop and Gonzales Counties and is named for Mathew Caldwell, a signer of the Texas Declaration of Independence; and

WHEREAS, For many years, the county's economy was based on agriculture; thousands of cattle were driven north on the Chisholm Trail and other trails in the county, and cotton became a major crop in the 1890s after A. D. Mebane developed strains of cotton that could flourish in less fertile soils; and

WHEREAS, The 1922 discovery of oil in the Luling and Prairie Lea area served to diversify the county's economy; today, the production of oil and gas continues to play an important role, along with farming, ranching, and manufacturing in driving the region's economy; and

WHEREAS, Caldwell County offers residents and visitors ample outdoor recreational opportunities and features a wide variety of architectural attractions, including a beautifully restored courthouse and the oldest Episcopal church in Texas; the people of Caldwell County eagerly look forward to a bright future while continuing to cherish their rich and colorful past; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby commend the citizens of Caldwell County on their many contributions to our state and extend to them best wishes for a memorable Caldwell County Day at the State Capitol; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this special occasion.

Zaffirini

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 7, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate