

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The men, women, and children of the Echota Cherokee
2 of Texas carry forward the traditions of a proud culture with a
3 storied history in our state; and

4 WHEREAS, The community's members are descended from
5 survivors of the "Trail of Tears," the forced migration that took
6 place when Native Americans east of the Mississippi River were
7 relocated to the Indian Territory in the West in the late 1830s; and

8 WHEREAS, Thousands of Cherokee died along the Trail of Tears,
9 but some escaped and fled to the mountains of Alabama and other
10 remote areas; there, they ultimately became known as the Echota
11 Cherokee Indian Tribe, and other Echota Cherokee groups were
12 established in various parts of the United States, including Texas;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, There are presently around 60 Echota Cherokee living
15 in our state; their numbers include many individuals who have
16 distinguished themselves through their service in the U.S.
17 military, as well as others whose business and professional
18 endeavors have earned them the high esteem of their fellow Texans;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, Heirs to a rich legacy, the members of the Echota
21 Cherokee of Texas are strengthened by the close ties of kinship and
22 heritage that have been passed down from their forebears, and it is
23 indeed fitting to pay tribute to their contributions to the Lone
24 Star State; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
2 Legislature hereby honor the Echota Cherokee of Texas and extend to
3 its members sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for the tribe as an expression of high regard by the Texas
6 House of Representatives.

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Allen	Gonzales of Williamson	Ortega
Alonzo	González of El Paso	Paddie
Alvarado	Gooden	Parker
Anchia	Guerra	Paul
Anderson of Dallas	Guillen	Perez
Anderson of McLennan	Gutierrez	Phelan
Arévalo	Hefner	Phillips
Ashby	Hernandez	Pickett
Bailes	Herrero	Price
Bell	Hinojosa	Raney
Bernal	Holland	Raymond
Biedermann	Howard	Reynolds
Blanco	Huberty	Rinaldi
Bohac	Hunter	Roberts
Bonnen of Brazoria	Isaac	Rodriguez of Bexar
Bonnen of Galveston	Israel	Rodriguez of Travis
Burkett	Johnson of Dallas	Romero, Jr.
Burns	Johnson of Harris	Rose
Burrows	Kacal	Sanford
Button	Keough	Schaefer
Cain	King of Hemphill	Schofield
Canales	King of Parker	Schubert
Capriglione	King of Uvalde	Shaheen
Clardy	Klick	Sheffield
Coleman	Koop	Shine
Collier	Krause	Simmons
Cook	Kuempel	Smithee
Cortez	Lambert	Springer
Cosper	Landgraf	Stephenson
Craddick	Lang	Stickland
Cyrier	Larson	Stucky
Dale	Laubenberg	Swanson
Darby	Leach	Thierry
Davis of Dallas	Longoria	Thompson of Brazoria
Davis of Harris	Lozano	Thompson of Harris
Dean	Lucio III	Tinderholt
Deshotel	Martinez	Turner
Dukes	Metcalf	Uresti
Dutton	Meyer	VanDeaver
Elkins	Miller	Villalba
Faircloth	Minjarez	Vo
Fallon	Moody	Walle
Farrar	Morrison	White
Flynn	Muñoz, Jr.	Wilson
Frank	Murphy	Workman
Frullo	Murr	Wray
Geren	Neave	Wu
Gervin-Hawkins	Nevárez	Zedler
Giddings	Oliveira	Zerwas

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 121 was adopted by the House on March 9, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House