

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Brown County are gathering in
2 Austin on February 7, 2017, to celebrate Brown County Day at the
3 State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Situated near the geographic center of Texas, Brown
5 County features rolling, hilly land drained by the Colorado River
6 on its southern border; early settlers came to the valleys of Pecan
7 Bayou and Jim Ned Creek in 1856, and the county was formed and named
8 for Captain Henry Stevenson Brown, a company commander in the
9 battle of Velasco and a delegate to the Convention of 1832; and

10 WHEREAS, Although the county's early economy centered on
11 cattle ranching, farmers moved to the area in the late 1800s, and
12 the arrival of two major railroad lines at the turn of the century
13 brought further development; in 1879, oil was discovered near the
14 town of Grosvenor, and commercial oil production began in the
15 county seat of Brownwood in 1917; and

16 WHEREAS, Today, Brown County has a population of more than
17 38,000, almost 2,000 of whom work for Kohler and 3M Company, the
18 largest employers in the county; additionally, Howard Payne
19 University, which was established in Brownwood in 1889, is home to a
20 vibrant community of resident and commuter students who benefit
21 from a variety of academic and athletic opportunities; and

22 WHEREAS, Brown County attracts outdoor adventurers to Lake
23 Brownwood State Park, which provides ample space for hiking, bird
24 watching, swimming, kayaking, and more; locals and visitors alike

1 enjoy the Brown County Museum of History, located in the old county
2 jail, and the 36th Division Memorial Park at Camp Bowie showcases
3 authentic military equipment and vehicles from World War II through
4 Vietnam; and

5 WHEREAS, The hardworking and forward-looking citizens of
6 Brown County are building on a long tradition of industry and
7 achievement, and it is indeed fitting to pay tribute to their unique
8 contributions to the story of the Lone Star State; now, therefore,
9 be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
11 Legislature hereby recognize February 7, 2017, as Brown County Day
12 at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere
13 best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin.

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Straus	Goldman	Oliverson
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

H.R. No. 264

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 264 was adopted by the House on February 7, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House