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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Hood County are gathering in
2 Austin on February 15, 2017, to celebrate Hood County Day at the
3 State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Established in 1866, Hood County is situated on the
5 north central plains and is traversed by the Paluxy and Brazos
6 Rivers; the county's Comanche Peak, a mesa topping over 1,200 feet,
7 was used as a meeting place for such important announcements as
8 Texas gaining independence from Mexico and later, in 1845, to make
9 locals aware of Texas' entry to the Union; and

10 WHEREAS, The Fort Worth and Rio Grande Railway came through
11 Granbury, the county seat, in 1887, and this spurred the
12 construction of what would become the city's historic downtown
13 square, with the striking Hood County Courthouse as its
14 centerpiece; today, residents and visitors alike enjoy a number of
15 unique shops and restaurants, and there are events held on the
16 square throughout the year, including the Granbury Wine Walk, the
17 Old Fashioned 4th of July Celebration, and the Harvest Moon
18 Festival of the Arts; and

19 WHEREAS, Lake Granbury, a reservoir created on the Brazos
20 River, was completed in 1969, and over the years it has helped the
21 county grow into a popular recreation center and retirement
22 community; outdoor enthusiasts enjoy boating, fishing, and other
23 water sports, and City Beach Park offers opportunities for swimming
24 and relaxation; additionally, the Acton Nature Center features 74

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1 acres of wildflowers, oaks, and a natural pond with a wildlife
2 viewing area, and the Moments-in-Time Hike and Bike Trail provides
3 explorers with a look into the early history of the area; and

4 WHEREAS, The people of Hood County take great pride in their
5 vibrant heritage as they work together to build an even brighter
6 future, and it is indeed fitting to honor them and their unique
7 contributions to the story of the Lone Star State; now, therefore,
8 be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
10 Legislature hereby recognize February 15, 2017, as Hood County Day
11 at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere
12 best wishes for an informative and enjoyable visit to Austin.