

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Proud residents of Chambers County are gathering in  
2 Austin on February 22, 2017, to celebrate Chambers County Day at the  
3 State Capitol; and

4           WHEREAS, Situated on some 600 square miles of Gulf Coast  
5 plains, the area that is now Chambers County has a long and colorful  
6 history; once the home of Karankawa, Coapite, and Copane Indians,  
7 it was the site of a Spanish mission in the mid-1700s and a  
8 short-lived French colony in the early 1800s; later, in 1832 and  
9 1835, disturbances at Anahuac between settlers and Mexican  
10 authorities foreshadowed the Texas Revolution; the county was  
11 officially created in 1858 from portions of Liberty and Jefferson  
12 Counties and named for Thomas Jefferson Chambers, a local lawyer  
13 and landowner; and

14           WHEREAS, Anahuac serves as the county seat, and other  
15 communities include Beach City, Cove, Double Bayou, Hankamer, Mont  
16 Belvieu, Oak Island, Old River-Winfree, Smith Point, Stowell,  
17 Wallisville, and Winnie; located between the Houston metropolitan  
18 area and the Golden Triangle of Beaumont-Port Arthur-Orange, the  
19 county combines the tranquility of rural living with convenient  
20 access to big-city amenities; and

21           WHEREAS, Tourists enjoy the many attractions and festivals  
22 offered by the county; Anahuac, designated as the official  
23 Alligator Capital of Texas, hosts the Texas Gatorfest each  
24 September, and Winnie hosts the Texas Rice Festival, celebrating

1 the annual rice harvest; and

2 WHEREAS, Visitors are also drawn to the area for recreational  
3 opportunities such as birding, fishing, hunting, crabbing,  
4 boating, camping, and golfing; Chambers County is home to the  
5 Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge, where more than 280 species of  
6 birds can be seen, as well as the Candy Cain Abshier Wildlife  
7 Management Area, Wallisville Heritage Park, Moody National  
8 Wildlife Refuge, and the Trinity River Island Recreation Area; and

9 WHEREAS, In addition to tourism, the county's economy is  
10 supported by the petroleum industry, chemical plants,  
11 agribusiness, fish and oyster processing, and manufacturing; and

12 WHEREAS, Treasuring their rich history as they work to build  
13 a bright future, the citizens of Chambers County are justifiably  
14 proud of their community, and it is most fitting to take this  
15 opportunity to honor their contributions to the Lone Star State;  
16 now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
18 Legislature hereby recognize February 22, 2017, as Chambers County  
19 Day at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation  
20 sincere best wishes for an enjoyable and informative stay in  
21 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. 530

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 530 was adopted by the House on February 22, 2017, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House