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R E S O L U T I O N

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

4 WHEREAS, Located west of San Antonio in the Rio Grande Plains
5 region, Kinney County was created in 1850 and named for early
6 settler and adventurer Henry Lawrence Kinney; the United States
7 Army established Fort Riley, later known as Fort Clark, along Las
8 Moras Creek in 1852, and the community of Brackett was formed later
9 that same year; by 1876, the final boundaries of the county had been
10 set by the Texas Legislature, and the renamed town of Brackettville
11 was designated as the county seat; and

12 WHEREAS, Through the years, cattle ranching has dominated the
13 economy of Kinney County, and wool and mohair production played an
14 important part in the nation's efforts during World War II; and

15 WHEREAS, Today, tourists are drawn to the county by such
16 attractions as Kickapoo Cavern State Park and Fort Clark Springs, a
17 community that provides visitors and residents alike with
18 opportunities for camping, swimming, and tours of the Old
19 Guardhouse Museum; and

20 WHEREAS, The people of Kinney County are confidently facing
21 the future while continuing to embrace their vibrant heritage, and
22 it is indeed fitting to honor their contributions to the story of
23 the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas

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1 Legislature hereby recognize February 22, 2017, as Kinney County
2 Day at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation
3 sincere best wishes for an informative and enjoyable stay in
4 Austin.