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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Tarrant County are gathering in
2 Austin to celebrate Tarrant County Days at the State Capitol on
3 March 1 and 2, 2017; and

4 WHEREAS, Tarrant County was created in 1849 as one of the 26
5 counties formed from the Peters Colony; it is named for General
6 Edward H. Tarrant of the Republic of Texas Militia, and its county
7 seat is Fort Worth; and

8 WHEREAS, What began as a frontier community has evolved into
9 a modern center for business, education, and world-class culture;
10 the 2010 census recorded 1,809,034 residents in Tarrant County,
11 making it the third most populous county in Texas and the 16th most
12 populous county in the nation; the county has 41 incorporated
13 municipalities and is served by 20 outstanding public school
14 districts; and

15 WHEREAS, Tarrant County has many entertainment and tourist
16 attractions that draw visitors from around the world; families
17 enjoy Six Flags Over Texas, the Fort Worth Zoo, and AT&T Stadium,
18 home to the Dallas Cowboys, as well as exemplary museums, including
19 the Kimbell Art Museum and the Amon G. Carter Museum, which showcase
20 outstanding collections of classic and American art; other area
21 attractions include historic downtown Grapevine, the shops at
22 Grapevine Mills, Southlake Town Square, Sundance Square, and the
23 Fort Worth Stockyards; and

24 WHEREAS, Tarrant County is also home to many excellent

1 institutions of higher education, which provide opportunities for a
2 variety of students and produce a highly educated workforce; these
3 institutions include The University of Texas at Arlington, the
4 University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth,
5 Texas Christian University, Tarrant County College, the College of
6 Saint Thomas More, Arlington Baptist College, Trinity Valley
7 Baptist Seminary and College, Tarleton State University-Fort
8 Worth, and Texas Wesleyan University; and

9 WHEREAS, The county's diverse and prosperous business
10 community ranges from cattle ranching to small businesses to
11 multinational corporations and includes leaders in the defense,
12 aerospace, and transportation industries; Dallas/Fort Worth
13 International Airport, Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort
14 Worth, and the Alliance Airport all contribute to the regional and
15 state economy; and

16 WHEREAS, The visiting Tarrant County delegation of civic,
17 academic, and business leaders is headed by County Judge B. Glen
18 Whitley and County Commissioners Roy C. Brooks, Andy H. Nguyen,
19 Gary Fickes, and J. D. Johnson; and

20 WHEREAS, The people of Tarrant County have worked hard to
21 build and sustain their vibrant community, and they can be justly
22 proud of their rich history, their many achievements, and their
23 enduring public spirit; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
25 Legislature hereby recognize March 1 and 2, 2017, as Tarrant County
26 Days at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation
27 sincere best wishes for an informative and enjoyable stay in

1 Austin.