

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Jackson County are gathering in Austin
2 on March 14, 2017, to celebrate Jackson County Day at the State
3 Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Part of the Coastal Prairie, what is now Jackson
5 County was once inhabited by the Karankawa people, and it is thought
6 that the early European explorers Cabeza de Vaca and La Salle
7 visited the region; in the 1820s, a number of the "Old 300" families
8 in Stephen F. Austin's first colony arrived, and the communities
9 they founded became known as the Alabama Settlement because so many
10 of the new arrivals had previously resided in that state; and

11 WHEREAS, The area played a central role in the Texas
12 Revolution, serving as a training ground for Texan forces and
13 suffering destruction at the hands of the Mexican Army; after
14 independence was won in 1836, Jackson County was one of the original
15 23 counties formed in the newly established republic; and

16 WHEREAS, Cattle ranching and farming became the backbone of
17 the local economy in the mid-1800s, and these businesses remain
18 important to the county today, with rice, corn, and cotton being
19 prominent crops; moreover, oil and natural gas production have
20 employed many area residents since reserves were discovered in the
21 1930s; and

22 WHEREAS, The town of Edna was established in the 1880s as a
23 stop on a new railroad that was built through the coastal region; it
24 quickly eclipsed the existing county seat, Texana, and in 1883,

1 Edna became the center of government operations; other communities
2 in the county include Francitas, Ganado, LaSalle, La Ward, Lolita,
3 and Vanderbilt; and

4 WHEREAS, With Lake Texana and Lavaca Bay, Jackson County is a
5 great place for boating, fishing, and hiking, and these activities
6 draw many people to sites such as the Brackenridge Recreation
7 Complex, which includes the Brackenridge and Texana parks and
8 campgrounds, as well as the Main Event Center; hunting and
9 bird-watching are also popular, and visitors can learn about local
10 history at the Texana Museum and Old Jail House in Edna; and

11 WHEREAS, Celebrating their rich and colorful history as they
12 work together to build an even brighter future, the citizens of
13 Jackson County may take justifiable pride in the important role
14 their unique region continues to play in the story of the Lone Star
15 State; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
17 Legislature hereby recognize March 14, 2017, as Jackson County Day
18 at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation best
19 wishes for an informative and enjoyable 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. 813

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 813 was adopted by the House on March 14, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House