

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Community leaders from Balch Springs are gathering
2 in Austin on March 30, 2017, to celebrate Balch Springs Day at the
3 State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Located in Dallas County, the town traces its
5 history to the 1870s, when John Balch, who had fought for the
6 independence of Texas at the Battle of San Jacinto and other
7 engagements, settled in the area with his family; his land
8 contained a permanent spring that became a gathering place for
9 nearby residents, and the settlement that took shape over the
10 following decades was named for him and this important water
11 source; and

12 WHEREAS, Balch Springs is a home-rule city that was
13 incorporated in 1953, when approximately 3,000 people lived there;
14 the population rose in the decades that followed, with an
15 increasing number of manufacturing companies and other businesses
16 opening their doors; and

17 WHEREAS, Today, this bustling city is home to more than
18 25,000 people and serves as a southeastern gateway to the
19 Metroplex; it offers convenient access to the surrounding area as
20 well as to major interstate and international transportation
21 routes, and its location, combined with its forward-looking civic
22 leadership and productive workforce, has attracted numerous
23 companies, including a number of firms in the telecommunications
24 industry; and

1 WHEREAS, Quality of life is another factor in the city's
2 growth, and numerous residents have been drawn by its thriving
3 community atmosphere, highly regarded schools, and myriad options
4 for housing, entertainment, culture, and recreation, which include
5 a library and learning center, the Double D Ranch, the Baseball
6 Nation Ballpark South, and the Premier Park soccer fields; and

7 WHEREAS, Balch Springs offers an inviting mixture of
8 small-town charm and big-city amenities, and its citizens may
9 indeed take great pride in their community's ongoing achievements;
10 now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
12 Legislature hereby recognize March 30, 2017, as Balch Springs Day
13 at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere
14 best wishes for a meaningful and memorable 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. 1170

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1170 was adopted by the House on March 30, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House