

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents from Atascosa County are gathering in
2 Austin on April 24, 2017, to celebrate Atascosa County Day at the
3 State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, During the first part of the 19th century, the
5 grassy prairie region of South Texas that would become Atascosa
6 County attracted Spanish, Mexican, and Anglo-American settlers,
7 and by the time of the Texas Revolution, its ranching industry was
8 flourishing; in 1856, the region was sufficiently populated to be
9 sectioned off from Bexar County; the county seat, originally at
10 Navatasco, was later moved to Pleasanton, and then in 1910, voters
11 supported moving it again, this time to the more centrally located
12 town of Jourdanton; and

13 WHEREAS, Atascosa County is home to a number of historical
14 markers that highlight the area's unique history; notably, the
15 Battle of Medina, which took place in 1813 and influenced the fates
16 of Spain, Mexico, the United States, England, and France, is
17 commemorated with a marker in the northeastern part of the county,
18 and the site of the church and school community of San Augustine,
19 founded by heirs of Alamo defender Gregorio Esparza, is marked near
20 Pleasanton; and

21 WHEREAS, Situated near the famous Camino Real, Atascosa
22 County has long benefited from its proximity to major
23 transportation arteries linking it with the Gulf Coast, the Rio
24 Grande Valley, and Mexico, as well as other major population

1 centers; the county enjoys the economic benefits reaped by an
2 abundance of natural resources and, blessed with productive range
3 and irrigated farmland, the area is known for its agricultural
4 industries; additionally, other resources such as oil and gas play
5 a significant role in the economy; and

6 WHEREAS, Proud of its ranching heritage, Pleasanton, the
7 county's trading center, bills itself as the birthplace of the
8 cowboy, a designation symbolized by a large bronze statue in front
9 of city hall; in nearby Poteet, known to many as the Strawberry
10 Capital, a Strawberry Festival takes place in April, and a
11 seven-foot, 1,600-pound monument to the berry graces the front lawn
12 of the fire department; and

13 WHEREAS, The residents of Atascosa County have made many
14 notable contributions to the economy and culture of Texas, and they
15 may take justifiable pride in the place that they call home; now,
16 therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
18 Legislature hereby recognize April 24, 2017, as Atascosa County Day
19 at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere
20 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. 1507

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1507 was adopted by the House on April 24, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House