

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 228

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the Montgomery County Historical Commission in celebrating the dedication of an Official Texas Historical Marker for the Lake Creek Settlement; and

WHEREAS, The Lake Creek Settlement was established in 1831 as part of Stephen F. Austin's Second Colony; located between the west fork of the San Jacinto River and the stream known as Lake Creek, it was the first Anglo American settlement in what is today Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, In 1835, William W. Shepperd, a colonist from North Carolina, established a store that quickly became a community center in the growing settlement; at the site of his store, he later founded the town of Montgomery, which became the county seat shortly after President Sam Houston signed the act that created Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, Men from the Lake Creek Settlement fought in many of the pivotal engagements of the Texas Revolution, including the Battle of Concepción, the Siege of Béxar, the Grass Fight, and the Battle of San Jacinto; and

WHEREAS, As the town of Montgomery grew and thrived, the term Lake Creek Settlement was used less frequently to describe the area, and the settlement was largely forgotten; it was rediscovered in recent decades by historians who researched documents in the county courthouse; and

WHEREAS, The Lake Creek Settlement holds great historical significance as one of the earliest Anglo American settlements in Texas, and it is truly fitting that an Official Texas Historical Marker be erected to commemorate its importance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend the Montgomery County Historical Commission and the people of Montgomery County on their commitment to preserving their colorful past and extend to them best wishes for a memorable dedication ceremony for the Lake Creek Settlement Official Texas Historical Marker; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this special occasion.

Nichols

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on February 21, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate