

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 264

WHEREAS, Proud residents of Kinney County are gathering in Austin on February 22, 2017, to celebrate Kinney County Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Located west of San Antonio in the Rio Grande Plains region, Kinney County was created in 1850 and named for early settler and adventurer Henry Lawrence Kinney; the United States Army established Fort Riley, later known as Fort Clark, along Las Moras Creek in 1852, and the community of Brackett was formed later that same year; by 1876, the final boundaries of the county had been set by the Texas Legislature, and the renamed town of Brackettville was designated as the county seat; and

WHEREAS, Through the years, cattle ranching has dominated the economy of Kinney County, and wool and mohair production played an important part in the nation's efforts during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Today, tourists are drawn to the county by such attractions as Kickapoo Cavern State Park and Fort Clark Springs, a community that provides visitors and residents alike with opportunities for camping, swimming, and tours of the Old Guardhouse Museum; and

WHEREAS, The people of Kinney County are confidently facing the future while continuing to embrace their vibrant heritage, and it is indeed fitting to honor their contributions to the story of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby recognize February 22, 2017, as Kinney County Day at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere best wishes for an informative and enjoyable stay in Austin.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 22, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate