

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 311

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the citizens of Washington County in celebrating the dedication of an Official Texas Historical Marker at the site of the original Pleasant Hill School; and

WHEREAS, On December 3, 1877, the Hahnke family sold one-half acre of land to Pleasant Hill School for the purpose of erecting a schoolhouse; in 1883, two acres of land were sold by the Wilhelms to the school community, and that land is now located on the T. H. Koester Estate; according to photographic evidence, the original school was a simple one-room wooden structure with a woodstove, a wood-shingle roof, and a small attached porch; and

WHEREAS, In 1920, the community received \$500 from the Rural Aid Fund for the construction of a new school; the new school was a more elaborate structure with wood siding and a bell tower at the center; a large hall ran the length of the building and between two rooms with hinged walls; and

WHEREAS, During World War II, the school's students were active in supporting the nation's military by taking part in scrap metal drives and by knitting squares for an afghan with a V for Victory in the design; and

WHEREAS, The last recorded Pleasant Hill School meeting took place in 1961, and the school was consolidated upon the completion of the new Brenham High School in 1963; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the history and legacy of the Pleasant Hill School and extend to all best wishes for a memorable Official Texas Historical Marker dedication ceremony; and, be it further

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

Kolkhorst

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 27, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate