

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 471

WHEREAS, Members of the Ennis Chamber of Commerce are visiting the State Capitol on March 28, 2017, and this occasion presents a welcome opportunity to commend them for their support of the City of Ennis; and

WHEREAS, Known as the Bluebonnet City, Ennis grew from a stop on the Houston and Texas Central Railway line into a vibrant modern city with myriad opportunities for economic development, civic involvement, and personal and family achievement; and

WHEREAS, The city's dynamic business leaders, strong economy, and proximity to the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex have drawn a variety of notable businesses and industries, and the chamber's emphasis on commercial growth and education have further contributed to prosperity in the area; and

WHEREAS, Amid plentiful contemporary amenities, Ennis retains its small-town charm, highlighted by its historic downtown business district, and it is currently participating in the Texas Main Street Program; each year, the town hosts such popular events as the Polka Festival, a celebration of the city's Czech heritage, and the Bluebonnet Trails Festival; it is also home to a number of arts and entertainment venues, and nearby Lake Bardwell attracts outdoor recreation enthusiasts, while fans of motor sports enjoy events at the Texas Motorplex throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, Working for more than a century to enhance the city's well-being, the Ennis Chamber of Commerce has greatly benefited its community, and everyone associated with the organization merits the highest praise for their civic engagement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby welcome the members of the Ennis Chamber of Commerce to the State Capitol and extend to them best wishes for an informative and enjoyable visit; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the chamber as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Birdwell

President of the Senate

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

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate