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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Residents of Deer Park are gathering in Austin on March 25 and 26, 2019, to celebrate Deer Park Days at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Located in central Harris County, the area was first settled in 1892 by farmer and former Illinois legislator Simeon Henry West, and it was named for the abundant deer that roamed the Gulf region during that time; in 1893, Mr. West built a hotel and post office, and a railway station was established soon after; and

WHEREAS, Deer Park was incorporated in 1948; in the subsequent decades, the city saw significant growth, and today, it is home to more than 30,000 residents; education is a key element in the city's productivity, and in conjunction with the surrounding communities, Deer Park has supported San Jacinto Junior College since its opening in 1961; and

WHEREAS, Visitors and residents alike enjoy a range of recreational opportunities, including a community theater and numerous parks; the city also offers such historical attractions as Patrick's Cabin, the site at which the initial treaty papers were drafted following the 1836 Battle of San Jacinto, where Texas secured its independence from Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Under the exceptional leadership of president Tim Culp, chair Heather Taylor, and board members, the Deer Park Chamber of Commerce is a strong agent promoting economic vitality and quality of life in the region; and

WHEREAS, Celebrating their rich heritage as they embrace the opportunities of the future, the citizens of this notable city are justifiably proud of the place they call home, and it is indeed fitting to honor them and their unique contributions to the story of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby recognize March 25 and 26, 2019, as Deer Park Days at the State Capitol and extend to all those in attendance sincere best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin.