**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 665**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join the citizens of Caldwell County and Texans across the state in celebrating May 1, 2019, as Caldwell County Day at the State Capitol; and

**WHEREAS**, Caldwell County was formed in 1848 out of territory from Bastrop and Gonzales Counties and is named for Mathew Caldwell, a signer of the Texas Declaration of Independence; and

**WHEREAS**, For many years, the county's economy was based on agriculture; thousands of cattle were driven north on the Chisholm Trail and other trails in the county, and cotton became a major crop in the 1890s after A. D. Mebane developed strains of cotton that could flourish in less fertile soils; and

**WHEREAS**, The 1922 discovery of oil in the Luling and Prairie Lea area served to diversify the county's economy; today, the production of oil and gas continues to play an important role, along with farming, ranching, and manufacturing, in driving the region's economy; and

**WHEREAS**, Caldwell County offers residents and visitors ample outdoor recreational opportunities and features a wide variety of architectural attractions, including a beautifully restored courthouse and the oldest Episcopal church in Texas; the people of Caldwell County eagerly look forward to a bright future while continuing to cherish their rich and colorful past; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby commend the citizens of Caldwell County on their many contributions to our state and extend to them best wishes for a memorable Caldwell County Day at the State Capitol; and, be it further

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

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