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R E S O L U T I O N

1   WHEREAS, Proud residents of Zavala County are gathering in
2 Austin on January 29, 2019, to celebrate Zavala County Day at the
3 State Capitol; and
4   WHEREAS, Situated in the Winter Garden region of South Texas,
5 Zavala County covers nearly 1,300 square miles of fertile plains
6 and wild brushland and is bisected by the Nueces River; the county
7 was created by the First Legislature of Texas in 1846 and named for
8 Lorenzo de Zavala, a Mexican colonist and signer of the Texas
9 Declaration of Independence; and
10   WHEREAS, Notable communities in the county include La Pryor,
11 Batesville, and Crystal City, which was laid out in 1905 and named
12 for the clear waters of a nearby artesian well; by 1908, the town
13 had a post office, a school, and a stop on the Uvalde Railway, and in
14 1928, it was designated as the county seat; and
15   WHEREAS, Crystal City is a hub for farming, ranching, and
16 food processing, with the Del Monte Corporation cannery
17 contributing to the economy of the region; self-styled as the
18 Spinach Capital of the World, the city holds a Spinach Festival that
19 draws tens of thousands of visitors every November with such
20 activities as a cook-off, a carnival and parade, and musical
21 performances; and
22   WHEREAS, The economy is supported by livestock and grain,
23 fruit, and vegetable farming, and hunting and fishing opportunities
24 abound; and

1   WHEREAS, The citizens of Zavala County take great pride in

2 their history as they work together to build an even brighter

3 future, and it is indeed fitting to honor their unique

4 contributions to the story of the Lone Star State; now, therefore,

5 be it

6   RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas

7 Legislature hereby recognize January 29, 2019, as Zavala County Day

8 at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere

9 best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin.