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H.R. No. 321

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud citizens of Chambers County are gathering in
2 Austin on February 13, 2019, to celebrate Chambers County Day at the
3 State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Situated on some 600 square miles of Gulf Coast
5 plains, Chambers County was officially created in 1858 from
6 portions of Liberty and Jefferson Counties and named for Thomas
7 Jefferson Chambers, a local lawyer and landowner; and

8 WHEREAS, Notable communities include Beach City, Cove,
9 Double Bayou, Hankamer, Mont Belvieu, Oak Island, Old
10 River-Winfree, Smith Point, Stowell, Baytown, Wallisville, and
11 Winnie, and Anahuac serves as the county seat; located between the
12 Houston metropolitan area and the Golden Triangle of Beaumont-Port
13 Arthur-Orange, the county combines the tranquility of rural living
14 with convenient access to big-city amenities; and

15 WHEREAS, Residents and visitors alike enjoy the many
16 attractions and festivals offered by the county; Anahuac,
17 designated as the official Alligator Capital of Texas, hosts the
18 Texas Gatorfest each September, and Winnie hosts the Texas Rice
19 Festival, celebrating the annual rice harvest; and

20 WHEREAS, Outdoor enthusiasts are also drawn to the area for
21 activities such as fishing, hunting, boating, camping, and golfing;
22 Chambers County is home to the Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge,
23 where more than 280 species of birds can be seen, as well as the
24 Candy Cain Abshier Wildlife Management Area, Wallisville Heritage

1 Park, Moody National Wildlife Refuge, and Trinity River Island
2 Recreation Area; and

3 WHEREAS, In addition to tourism, the county's economy is
4 supported by agriculture, livestock, and the petrochemical
5 refining industry, and the largest master-planned
6 rail-and-barge-served industrial park in the United States, Cedar
7 Port Industrial Park, is located near Baytown; and

8 WHEREAS, Honoring their heritage as they embrace the
9 opportunities of the future, the citizens of Chambers County may
10 take great pride in the role their communities have played in the
11 story of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
13 Legislature hereby recognize February 13, 2019, as Chambers County
14 Day at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation
15 sincere best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin.