

By: Sheffield

H.R. No. 375

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Students, faculty, and staff from Tarleton State
2 University are gathering in Austin on February 19, 2019, in
3 celebration of Tarleton State University Day at the State Capitol;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The school was established in 1899 as John Tarleton
6 College, a four-year liberal arts college, with an endowment from a
7 Stephenville landowner and namesake; in 1917, during the 35th
8 Legislature, John Tarleton Agricultural College joined the Texas
9 Agricultural and Mechanical College as inaugural members of the
10 Texas A&M University System; and

11 WHEREAS, Today, Tarleton's enrollment surpasses 13,000
12 students distributed among 7 colleges, with campuses in
13 Stephenville, Fort Worth, Waco, Midlothian, and Bryan; the
14 university offers more than 100 bachelor's, master's, and doctoral
15 degrees, including a new Ph.D. program in criminal justice; and

16 WHEREAS, Tarleton benefits from the support of the Texas
17 Legislature, the cooperation of local governments, and the
18 leadership of its president, Dr. F. Dominic Dottavio, its governing
19 board, the Texas A&M University System Board of Regents, and system
20 chancellor John Sharp; with a strong commitment to growth, the
21 university anticipates a number of exciting initiatives in 2019,
22 including the opening of the first academic facility at its new Fort
23 Worth campus, an expanded and renovated Memorial Stadium, a new
24 engineering building, and replacement facilities at the Tarleton

1 Agricultural Center following a 2016 tornado; and

2 WHEREAS, Long known for its service to first-generation
3 students, Tarleton remains focused on timely and successful degree
4 completion, and it maintains a reputation as one of the most
5 efficient and affordable universities in the nation; and

6 WHEREAS, Now in its 120th year, Tarleton State University
7 looks forward to the future while taking pride in its rich history,
8 and it will continue to provide its students with an outstanding
9 education and a solid foundation for success in the years to come;
10 now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
12 Legislature hereby recognize February 19, 2019, as Tarleton State
13 University Day at the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the
14 visiting delegation.