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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Tarrant County are gathering in Austin
2 to celebrate Tarrant County Days at the State Capitol on March 6 and
3 7, 2019; and

4 WHEREAS, Tarrant County was created in 1849 as one of the 26
5 counties formed from the Peters Colony; it is named for General
6 Edward H. Tarrant of the Republic of Texas Militia, and its county
7 seat is Fort Worth; and

8 WHEREAS, What began as a frontier community has evolved into
9 a modern center for business, education, and world-class culture;
10 recent census estimates indicate that the population of Tarrant
11 County has surpassed two million, and it continues to rank as the
12 third most populous county in Texas; and

13 WHEREAS, With 41 incorporated municipalities, Tarrant County
14 has many entertainment and tourist attractions that draw visitors
15 from around the world; families enjoy Six Flags Over Texas, the Fort
16 Worth Zoo, and AT&T Stadium, home to the Dallas Cowboys, as well as
17 exemplary museums, including the Kimbell Art Museum and the Amon G.
18 Carter Museum, which showcase outstanding collections of classic
19 and American art; other area attractions include historic downtown
20 Grapevine, the shops at Grapevine Mills, Southlake Town Square,
21 Sundance Square, and the Fort Worth Stockyards; and

22 WHEREAS, Tarrant County is also home to many excellent
23 institutions of higher education, which provide opportunities for a
24 variety of students and produce a highly educated workforce; these

1 institutions include The University of Texas at Arlington, the
2 University of North Texas, the University of North Texas Health
3 Science Center at Fort Worth, Texas A&M University School of Law,
4 Dallas Baptist University, Southwestern Baptist Theological
5 Seminary, Texas Christian University, Tarrant County College, the
6 College of Saint Thomas More, Arlington Baptist College, Trinity
7 Valley Baptist Seminary and College, Tarleton State
8 University-Fort Worth, and Texas Wesleyan University; and

9 WHEREAS, The county's diverse and prosperous business
10 community ranges from cattle ranching to small businesses to
11 multinational corporations and includes leaders in the defense,
12 aerospace, and transportation industries; Dallas/Fort Worth
13 International Airport, Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort
14 Worth, and the Alliance Airport all contribute to the regional and
15 state economy; and

16 WHEREAS, The visiting Tarrant County delegation of civic,
17 academic, and business leaders is headed by County Judge B. Glen
18 Whitley and County Commissioners Roy C. Brooks, Devan Allen, Gary
19 Fickes, and J. D. Johnson; and

20 WHEREAS, The people of Tarrant County have worked hard to
21 build and sustain their vibrant community, and they can be justly
22 proud of their rich history, their many achievements, and their
23 enduring public spirit; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
25 Legislature hereby recognize March 6 and 7, 2019, as Tarrant County
26 Days at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation
27 sincere best wishes for an informative and enjoyable stay in

1 Austin.