

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Citizens of Rusk County are assembling at the Texas
2 State Capitol to celebrate Rusk County Days on March 20 and 21,
3 2019; and

4 WHEREAS, A picturesque region of rolling hills in the Piney
5 Woods of East Texas, Rusk County was first occupied by the Caddo and
6 Cherokee tribes; the first European settlers arrived in the 1830s,
7 and on January 16, 1843, the county was formed by act of the
8 Congress of the Republic of Texas and named after Thomas Jefferson
9 Rusk, secretary of war under Texas President Sam Houston; and

10 WHEREAS, For many years, the county's economy was based on
11 cotton and other agriculture, but on October 3, 1930, Columbus
12 Marion "Dad" Joiner struck oil at his famous Daisy Bradford No. 3
13 well, opening up the East Texas oil field, which at the time was the
14 largest oil field in the world; three years later, Rusk County was
15 producing over 200 million barrels of petroleum a year, turning
16 county seat Henderson from a sleepy village to a bustling boomtown;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Oil and agriculture continue to be mainstays of the
19 county's economy, along with natural gas, timber, and the mining of
20 lignite coal; in addition, Rusk County's bricks, made from the
21 region's unique clay soil, are highly prized; and

22 WHEREAS, Only two miles from "Dad" Joiner's original well,
23 the Gaston Museum in Joinerville commemorates the history of the
24 East Texas oil field; in Henderson, the Depot Museum, a beautifully

1 restored Missouri Pacific railway depot from 1901, hosts the annual
2 Heritage Syrup Festival every November; and recreational
3 opportunities abound in the county's parks, including Martin Creek
4 Lake State Park, which offers swimming, boating, fishing,
5 waterskiing, and other activities; and

6 WHEREAS, The people of Rusk County take great pride in their
7 rich history as they work together to build an even brighter future,
8 and it is indeed fitting to honor them and their unique
9 contributions to the story of the Lone Star State; now, therefore,
10 be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
12 Legislature hereby recognize March 20 and 21, 2019, as Rusk County
13 Days at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation
14 sincere best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin.

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Bonnen of Brazoria	Guerra	Noble
Allen	Guillen	Oliverson
Allison	Gutierrez	Ortega
Anchia	Harless	Pacheco
Anderson	Harris	Paddie
Ashby	Hefner	Parker
Bailes	Hernandez	Patterson
Beckley	Herrero	Paul
Bell of Kaufman	Hinojosa	Perez
Bell of Montgomery	Holland	Phelan
Bernal	Howard	Price
Biedermann	Huberty	Ramos
Blanco	Hunter	Raney
Bohac	Israel	Raymond
Bonnen of Galveston	E. Johnson of Dallas	Reynolds
Bowers	J. Johnson of Dallas	Rodriguez
Buckley	Johnson of Harris	Romero, Jr.
Bucy	Kacal	Rose
Burns	King of Hemphill	Rosenthal
Burrows	King of Parker	Sanford
Button	King of Uvalde	Schaefer
Cain	Klick	Shaheen
Calanni	Krause	Sheffield
Canales	Kuempel	Sherman, Sr.
Capriglione	Lambert	Shine
Clardy	Landgraf	Smith
Cole	Lang	Smithee
Coleman	Larson	Springer
Collier	Leach	Stephenson
Cortez	Leman	Stickland
Craddick	Longoria	Stucky
Cyrrier	Lopez	Swanson
Darby	Lozano	Talarico
Davis of Dallas	Lucio III	Thierry
Davis of Harris	Martinez	Thompson of Brazoria
Dean	Martinez Fischer	Thompson of Harris
Deshotel	Metcalf	Tinderholt
Dominguez	Meyer	Toth
Dutton	Meza	Turner of Dallas
Farrar	Middleton	Turner of Tarrant
Fierro	Miller	VanDeaver
Flynn	Minjarez	Vo
Frank	Moody	Walle
Frullo	Morales	White
Geren	Morrison	Wilson
Gervin-Hawkins	Muñoz, Jr.	Wray
Goldman	Murphy	Wu
González of Dallas	Murr	Zedler
González of El Paso	Neave	Zerwas
Goodwin	Nevárez	Zwiener

H.R. No. 828

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 828 was adopted by the House on March 21, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House