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H.R. No. 1294

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The descendants of John and Clara Liechty are coming
2 together in Texas from June 20 to 23, 2019, for their
3 much-anticipated family reunion, an event that has taken place for
4 over half a century; and

5 WHEREAS, John and Clara Liechty were joined in matrimony on
6 December 6, 1914, in North Dakota, and they were the parents of
7 seven children; members of the family first came to Texas during
8 World War II, to work in the shipbuilding industry; two of John and
9 Clara's sons, Adam and Jonathan, served in the U.S. Army during the
10 war; and

11 WHEREAS, The first members of the family to move to Texas
12 permanently were Jim and Mary Syvrud, who arrived in 1977; since
13 then, more than 50 members of the Liechty family have settled in the
14 Lone Star State; and

15 WHEREAS, Today, there are over 270 descendants of John and
16 Clara Liechty; the family has been holding reunions since the early
17 1960s, but this is the first to take place in Texas; more than 200
18 members of the family plan to gather in Rockwall County for a long
19 weekend of festivities; and

20 WHEREAS, The Liechty family reunion offers those in
21 attendance an opportunity to reflect on their rich heritage and to
22 strengthen the bonds that have united them for more than a century,
23 and it is indeed a pleasure to celebrate this notable event; now,
24 therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
2 Legislature hereby commemorate the 2019 Liechty family reunion and
3 extend to its participants sincere best wishes for an enjoyable and
4 rewarding gathering; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for the family as an expression of high regard by the Texas
7 House of Representatives.