## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 265

WHEREAS, Proud residents of Galveston County are gathering in Austin on March 6, 2019, to celebrate Galveston County Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Covering approximately 870 square miles of lush grasslands, warm beaches, and sparkling waters, Galveston County was founded in 1838 and has a history highlighted by explorers, pirates, and international intrigue; it also holds the record for the country's deadliest natural disaster with the hurricane that made landfall in September 1900 and killed more than 6,000 people; and

WHEREAS, The ports of Galveston and Texas City contributed greatly to the rebuilding of the area after the hurricane, and along with the chemical and petrochemical complex, continue to be important to the economic development of the county; additionally, agriculture, livestock, and the fishing and shrimping industries provide jobs for many residents of the region; and

WHEREAS, Galveston today is a center for medical services, marine research, and a number of institutions of higher education, including The University of Texas Medical Branch, Texas A&M University at Galveston, the College of the Mainland, and Galveston College; and

WHEREAS, Visitors are drawn to the county's natural beauty and miles of beaches and also enjoy such attractions as the Galveston County Fair and Rodeo, the Galveston Island Wild Texas Shrimp Festival, and the Blessing of the Fleet at Kemah; other points of interest include the Lone Star Flight Museum and Moody Gardens; and

WHEREAS, Galveston County is blessed with abundant natural resources and a fascinating past, and its citizens may take great pride in their continuing contributions to the story of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

Star State; now, therefore, be it **RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby recognize March 6, 2019, as Galveston County Day at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin.

Taylor

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 6, 2019.

## Secretary of the Senate