

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 65

WHEREAS, The prosperity of the Lone Star State has been greatly influenced by family farming and ranching, and the Grote family of Llano County have been officially recognized as heirs to this proud tradition with the acceptance of the Holistic and Historical 1882 Grote Ranch into the state's Family Land Heritage Program in 2023; and

WHEREAS, Sponsored by the Texas Department of Agriculture, this program honors farms and ranches that have been in continuous agricultural operation by the same family for a century or more; the Grote Ranch is currently owned and operated by Janice Annette Jensen, great-granddaughter of its founders; and

WHEREAS, The Grote Ranch was established in 1882 by C. H. and Mina Grote, who raised Hereford cattle on the 2,000-acre property; Mr. and Mrs. Grote became the parents of 11 children, several of whom continued working the land after the couple's passing in 1948; their son Raymond Grote inherited 425 acres of the ranch, and following his death, his wife, Annette Dupree Grote, raised Angus cattle on the property; upon her passing, their daughter Annette Helen Altgelt Grote took over her parents' share of the land, and in 2012, Mrs. Grote's daughter and current owner Janice Annette Jensen inherited 30 acres; and

WHEREAS, In preserving their property as a working ranch, the Grotes are making their own contribution to their family's legacy, and it is indeed fitting that they be honored for their outstanding stewardship; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate the Grote family on the induction of the Holistic and Historical 1882 Grote Ranch into the Texas Department of Agriculture Family Land Heritage Program and extend to them sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the Grote family as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Flores

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on October 31, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate