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R E S O L U T I O N

1   WHEREAS, Residents of Live Oak County are gathering in Austin
2 on February 8, 2023, to celebrate Live Oak County Day at the State
3 Capitol; and

4   WHEREAS, In the years before it became part of Texas, the area
5 now known as Live Oak County was home to Native American tribes,
6 Spanish and Mexican colonists, and Irish immigrants, and this
7 diversity of cultures greatly influenced the development of the
8 area; and

9   WHEREAS, Live Oak County was created on February 2, 1856,
10 from parts of San Patricio and Nueces Counties and was named after
11 the imposing and majestic tree that grew throughout much of the
12 region; the economy was initially driven by the raising of sheep,
13 cattle, and cotton, but it was diversified by the discovery of oil
14 and natural gas in the 1930s and uranium in the 1960s; in recent
15 years, new technologies have improved the extraction of valuable
16 hydrocarbons from the Eagle Ford Shale underlying the county; and

17   WHEREAS, The rugged beauty of Live Oak County's brushy plains
18 is complemented by the Frio, Nueces, and Atascosa Rivers, and
19 lovers of the Texas landscape are drawn to such attractions as Lake
20 Corpus Christi and Choke Canyon State Park; the town of Three Rivers
21 delights residents and visitors alike with its annual Salsa
22 Festival, and other notable communities include George West, the
23 county seat, as well as Dinero, Lagarto, Pernitas Point, and
24 Whitsett; and

1   WHEREAS, Celebrating their rich and colorful history as they
2 work together to build a bright future, the citizens of Live Oak
3 County may take justifiable pride in the important role their
4 unique region continues to play in the story of the Lone Star State;
5 now, therefore, be it

6   RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
7 Legislature hereby recognize February 8, 2023, as Live Oak County
8 Day at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation
9 sincere best wishes for an informative and enjoyable stay in
10 Austin.