

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Pearland are gathering in Austin
2 on February 22, 2023, to celebrate Pearland Day at the State
3 Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Located in Brazoria County, Pearland was originally
5 established as Mark Belt in 1893, but the following year, its name
6 was changed to reflect the large number of pear trees in the area;
7 by 1898, the town had a newspaper, 12 businesses, and 75 residents;
8 however, its growth slowed considerably, and many of its fruit
9 trees were destroyed when it was hit by the Galveston hurricane in
10 1900; the planting of oranges and figs helped revive local
11 agriculture, until the freeze of 1918 caused another wave of
12 damage; Pearland bounced back a second time, though, and in 1934,
13 oil and gas were discovered in the area, prompting significant
14 growth in the decades that followed; and

15 WHEREAS, While enjoying the benefits of its proximity to
16 Houston and such sites as the Johnson Space Center, Kemah
17 Boardwalk, and the beaches in Galveston, Pearland maintains its own
18 unique character; in 1999, it was named an All-America City by the
19 National Civic League, and its notable attractions include the more
20 than 100-year-old Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railroad Depot,
21 Pearland Town Center, and an emerging biotech and manufacturing
22 area known as the Kirby District; and

23 WHEREAS, Pearland is fortunate to have a local chamber of
24 commerce that works diligently to further the city's development

1 and keep the citizenry informed on matters that affect the region;
2 the city also boasts a highly rated school system that is committed
3 to helping with workforce development; moreover, the University of
4 Houston-Clear Lake Pearland Campus is meeting area needs with the
5 addition of a health science building, and the city benefits from an
6 ongoing partnership between the university and Alvin Community
7 College; and

8 WHEREAS, Since its establishment, Pearland has experienced
9 explosive growth, substantial development, and a handful of
10 tragedies along the way, but it would not be what it is today
11 without that history; from humble beginnings to becoming one of the
12 fastest-growing communities in the country, Pearland will continue
13 its neighborly and warm traditions for generations to come; now,
14 therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
16 Legislature hereby recognize February 22, 2023, as Pearland Day at
17 the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere
18 best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin.

Thompson of Brazoria

Phelan	Guerra	Murr
Allen	Guillen	Neave Criado
Allison	Harless	Noble
Anchía	Harris of Anderson	Oliverson
Anderson	Harris of Williamson	Ordaz
Ashby	Harrison	Orr
Bailes	Hayes	Ortega
Bell of Kaufman	Hefner	Patterson
Bell of Montgomery	Hernandez	Paul
Bernal	Herrero	Perez
Bhojani	Hinojosa	Plesa
Bonnen	Holland	Price
Bowers	Howard	Ramos
Bryant	Hull	Raney
Buckley	Hunter	Raymond
Bucy	Isaac	Reynolds
Bumgarner	Jetton	Rogers
Burns	Johnson of Dallas	Romero, Jr.
Burrows	A. Johnson of Harris	Rose
Button	J. Johnson of Harris	Rosenthal
Cain	Jones of Dallas	Schaefer
Campos	Jones of Harris	Schatzline
Canales	Kacal	Schofield
Capriglione	King of Hemphill	Shaheen
Clardy	King of Uvalde	Sherman, Sr.
Cole	Kitzman	Shine
Collier	Klick	Slaton
Cook	Kuempel	Slawson
Cortez	Lalani	Smith
Craddick	Lambert	Smithee
Cunningham	Landgraf	Spiller
Darby	Leach	Stucky
Davis	Leo-Wilson	Swanson
Dean	Longoria	Talarico
DeAyala	Lopez of Bexar	Tepper
Dorazio	Lopez of Cameron	Thierry
Dutton	Lozano	Thimesch
Flores	Lujan	Thompson of Brazoria
Frank	Manuel	Thompson of Harris
Frazier	Martinez	Tinderholt
Gamez	Martinez Fischer	Toth
Garcia	Metcalf	Troxclair
Gates	Meyer	Turner
Gerdes	Meza	VanDeaver
Geren	Moody	Vasut
Gervin-Hawkins	Morales of Harris	Vo
Goldman	Morales of Maverick	Walle
González of Dallas	Morales Shaw	Wilson
González of El Paso	Morrison	Wu
Goodwin	Muñoz, Jr.	Zwiener

H.R. No. 224

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 224 was adopted by the House on February 22, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House