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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Proud citizens of Chambers County are gathering in
- 2 Austin on February 22, 2023, to celebrate Chambers County Day at the
- 3 State Capitol; and
- WHEREAS, Situated on some 600 square miles of Gulf Coast
- 5 plains, Chambers County was officially created in 1858 from
- 6 portions of Liberty and Jefferson Counties and named for Thomas
- 7 Jefferson Chambers, a local lawyer and landowner; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Notable communities include Beach City, Cove,
- 9 Double Bayou, Hankamer, Mont Belvieu, Oak Island, Old
- 10 River-Winfree, Smith Point, Stowell, Baytown, Wallisville, and
- 11 Winnie, and Anahuac serves as the county seat; located between the
- 12 Houston metropolitan area and the Golden Triangle of Beaumont-Port
- 13 Arthur-Orange, the county combines the tranquility of rural living
- 14 with convenient access to big-city amenities; and
- WHEREAS, Residents and visitors alike enjoy the many
- 16 attractions and festivals offered by the county; Anahuac,
- 17 designated as the official Alligator Capital of Texas, hosts the
- 18 Texas Gatorfest each September, and Winnie hosts the Texas Rice
- 19 Festival, celebrating the annual rice harvest; and
- WHEREAS, Outdoor enthusiasts are also drawn to the area for
- 21 activities such as fishing, hunting, boating, camping, and golfing;
- 22 Chambers County is home to the Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge,
- 23 where hundreds of species of birds can be seen, as well as the Candy
- 24 Cain Abshier Wildlife Management Area, Wallisville Heritage Park,

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- 1 Moody National Wildlife Refuge, and Trinity River Island Recreation
- 2 Area; and
- 3 WHEREAS, In addition to tourism, the county's economy is
- 4 supported by agriculture, livestock, and the petrochemical
- 5 refining industry, and the largest master-planned
- 6 rail-and-barge-served industrial park in the United States, Cedar
- 7 Port Industrial Park, is located near Baytown; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Honoring their heritage as they embrace the
- 9 opportunities of the future, the citizens of Chambers County may
- 10 take great pride in the role their communities have played in the
- 11 story of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
- 13 Legislature hereby recognize February 22, 2023, as Chambers County
- 14 Day at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation
- 15 sincere best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 263 was adopted by the House on February 22, 2023, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House