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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Proud citizens of Chambers County are gathering in
Austin on February 22, 2023, to celebrate Chambers County Day at the
State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Situated on some 600 square miles of Gulf Coast plains, Chambers County was officially created in 1858 from portions of Liberty and Jefferson Counties and named for Thomas Jefferson Chambers, a local lawyer and landowner; and

WHEREAS, Notable communities include Beach City, Cove, 8 9 Double Bayou, Hankamer, Mont Belvieu, Oak Island, Old River-Winfree, Smith Point, Stowell, Baytown, Wallisville, and 10 11 Winnie, and Anahuac serves as the county seat; located between the 12 Houston metropolitan area and the Golden Triangle of Beaumont-Port Arthur-Orange, the county combines the tranquility of rural living 13 with convenient access to big-city amenities; and 14

15 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 activities such as fishing, hunting, boating, camping, and golfing; Chambers County is home to the Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge, where hundreds of species of birds can be seen, as well as the Candy Cain Abshier Wildlife Management Area, Wallisville Heritage Park,

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Moody National Wildlife Refuge, and Trinity River Island Recreation
Area; and

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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 Legislature hereby recognize February 22, 2023, as Chambers County Day at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin.

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