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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Karnes County are gathering in
2 Austin on April 5, 2023, to celebrate Karnes County Day at the State
3 Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Karnes County was formally established by the Texas
5 Legislature in 1854 and was named after Henry Wax Karnes, a military
6 hero of the Texas Revolution; Helena served as the county seat for
7 four decades, until voters chose to make Karnes City the new seat of
8 government in 1893; in addition to those two communities, the
9 county boasts many other small towns with unique and colorful
10 histories, and it is home to the first Polish settlement in the
11 United States; and

12 WHEREAS, Covering 758 square miles of the South Texas Plains,
13 Karnes County is known for rich agricultural lands that support
14 grain, cattle, and wild game; the local economy also benefits from
15 the oil and gas industry, fiberglass manufacturing, and grain
16 milling; today, the county is home to more than 14,500 residents;
17 and

18 WHEREAS, Representing a rich diversity of cultures, the
19 people of Karnes County are working to preserve the best of their
20 past and to build an even brighter future for generations to come;
21 now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
23 Legislature hereby recognize April 5, 2023, as Karnes County Day at
24 the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere

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1 best wishes for an enjoyable trip to Austin.