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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Three Rivers are gathering in
2 Austin on April 12, 2023, to celebrate Three Rivers Day at the State
3 Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Located in Live Oak County, Three Rivers can trace
5 its origins to 1913, when the San Antonio, Uvalde, and Gulf Railroad
6 built a depot on the land belonging to Annie T. Hamilton; shortly
7 thereafter, Charles R. Tips organized a townsite company and began
8 selling acreage; originally called Hamiltonburg, the town was
9 renamed in 1914 to Three Rivers due to its close proximity to the
10 confluence of the Atascosa, Frio, and Nueces Rivers; the town was
11 officially incorporated in 1926; and

12 WHEREAS, Three Rivers experienced a period of industrial
13 growth beginning in the early to mid-20th century with the
14 discovery of natural gas and large deposits of Quartzzone sand
15 nearby; the first glass factory in the state was built there in
16 1922, but it would eventually close down in 1937; in 1933, the Three
17 Rivers Refinery was established, and by 1990, it had developed into
18 a major Diamond Shamrock oil refinery, where many area residents
19 found employment; and

20 WHEREAS, Today, Three Rivers is home to approximately 2,000
21 citizens; residents and visitors alike are able to enjoy a number of
22 local attractions, including the historic Rialto Theatre, the
23 annual Live Oak County Fair, and the Choke Canyon Reservoir and
24 State Park, which is noted for its diverse array of wildlife;

1 outdoor enthusiasts are drawn to the area for activities such as
2 hunting, fishing, camping, and canoeing; in addition to tourism,
3 the town's economy is predominantly supported by farming, ranching,
4 and oil and gas production; and

5 WHEREAS, Celebrating their rich history as they work to build
6 an even brighter future, the citizens of Three Rivers are
7 justifiably proud of their community, and it is indeed fitting to
8 honor their contributions to the story of the Lone Star State; now,
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
11 Legislature hereby recognize April 12, 2023, as Three Rivers Day at
12 the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the visiting
13 delegation.