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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Andrews County are gathering in

2 Austin on January 25, 2023, to celebrate Andrews County Day at the

3 State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Situated on the high plains of the Permian Basin,

5 Andrews County was established in 1876 and formally organized in

6 1910 with Andrews as its county seat; both the city and county are

7 named for Richard Andrews, an early settler and soldier in the

8 revolutionary army and the first man to die in the Texas War for

9 Independence in 1835; and

10 WHEREAS, Andrews County has long been a leader in the

11 ranching industry in Texas, and with widespread use of windmills,

12 it became an important source of cotton and sorghum; it experienced

13 an impressive oil boom during the 1940s and recently underwent the

14 greatest period of growth and development in its history; it

15 remains one of the state's leading producers of oil and gas; and

16 WHEREAS, With unprecedented support from citizens, public

officials, and civic organizations in the area, Andrews County

18 hosts the most advanced secure facility for the disposal of Class A,

19 B, and C low-level radioactive waste in the United States; and

20 WHEREAS, The Andrews Independent School District is highly

21 regarded, and its students have earned top honors at numerous

22 University Interscholastic League academic competitions; and

23 WHEREAS, The people of Andrews County enjoy an abundance of

24 recreational opportunities, including the Andrews County Golf

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- 1 Course and many exemplary area parks; the county also boasts the
- 2 annual Wild, Wild West Fest, which celebrates the region's Western
- 3 heritage; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Honoring their history as they embrace the
- 5 opportunities of the future, the citizens of Andrews County may
- 6 take great pride in the role their community has played in the story
- 7 of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature
- 9 hereby recognize January 25, 2023, as Andrews County Day at the
- 10 State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere best
- 11 wishes for an informative and enjoyable stay in Austin.