

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 144

WHEREAS, Residents of Live Oak County are gathering in Austin on February 8, 2023, to celebrate Live Oak County Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, In the years before it became part of Texas, the area now known as Live Oak County was home to Native American tribes, Spanish and Mexican colonists, and Irish immigrants, and this diversity of cultures greatly influenced the development of the area; and

WHEREAS, Live Oak County was created on February 2, 1856, from parts of San Patricio and Nueces Counties and was named after the imposing and majestic trees that grew throughout much of the region; the economy was initially driven by the raising of sheep, cattle, and cotton, but it was diversified by the discovery of oil and natural gas in the 1930s and uranium in the 1960s; in recent years, new technologies have improved the extraction of valuable hydrocarbons from the Eagle Ford Shale underlying the county; and

WHEREAS, The rugged beauty of Live Oak County's brushy plains is complemented by the Frio, Nueces, and Atascosa Rivers, and lovers of the Texas landscape are drawn to such attractions as Lake Corpus Christi and Choke Canyon State Park; the town of Three Rivers delights residents and visitors alike with its annual Salsa Festival, and other notable communities include George West, the county seat, as well as Dinero, Lagarto, Pernitas Point, and Whitsett; and

WHEREAS, Celebrating their rich and colorful history as they work together to build a bright future, the citizens of Live Oak County may take justifiable pride in the important role their unique region continues to play in the story of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, hereby recognize February 8, 2023, as Live Oak County Day at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere best wishes for an informative and enjoyable stay in Austin.

Zaffirini

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 8, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate