

1-1 By: Hayes (Senate Sponsor - Parker) H.C.R. No. 86
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 8, 2025;
1-3 May 8, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Administration; May 12, 2025, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 12, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7				
1-8	X			
1-9	X			
1-10	X			
1-11	X			
1-12	X			
1-13	X			
1-14	X			

1-15 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1-16 WHEREAS, Each October, the City of Denton transforms into a
1-17 playground for lovers of all things Halloween, with an array of fun
1-18 and spooky activities; and

1-19 WHEREAS, The 31 Days of Denton Halloween event expands the
1-20 celebration of the holiday into a month-long extravaganza of
1-21 seasonal fun for residents and visitors of all ages; it features a
1-22 variety of exciting and immersive experiences at over a dozen
1-23 themed locations; the city's historic downtown serves as the center
1-24 of the action, and an impressive crowd of more than 660,000 people
1-25 turned out during the debut observance in 2024; and

1-26 WHEREAS, The 31 Days of Denton Halloween festival evokes a
1-27 sense of nostalgia, paying homage to the cherished traditions that
1-28 have kept the magic of the holiday alive for generations; among the
1-29 activities taking place are Halloween movie nights, a pumpkin
1-30 carving contest, a block party and pumpkin drop, a themed scavenger
1-31 hunt, and interactive storytelling sessions; this delightful event
1-32 also serves as a showcase for the city's vibrant art scene, and
1-33 participants can enjoy seasonal treat offerings and a range of
1-34 one-of-a-kind attractions; and

1-35 WHEREAS, By joining together for 31 Days of Denton Halloween,
1-36 area residents have created a uniquely festive tradition that is
1-37 beloved by young and old alike, and the enthusiasm with which the
1-38 city has embraced the holiday makes it deserving of special
1-39 legislative recognition; now, therefore, be it

1-40 RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas
1-41 hereby designate Denton as the official Halloween Capital of Texas,
1-42 replacing the city's previous designation as the Redbud Capital of
1-43 Texas; and, be it further

1-44 RESOLVED, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section
1-45 391.003(e), Government Code, this designation remain in effect
1-46 until the 10th anniversary of the date this resolution is finally
1-47 passed by the legislature.

1-48 * * * * *