

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Galveston County are gathering in
2 Austin on March 6, 2025, to celebrate Galveston County Day at the
3 State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Covering approximately 870 square miles of lush
5 grasslands, warm beaches, and sparkling waters, Galveston County
6 was first inhabited by the Karankawa people and later, several
7 Spanish expeditions passed through the area; the county was formed
8 out of portions of Harrisburg, Liberty, and Brazoria Counties in
9 1838 and named after Bernardo de Gálvez, who supported the
10 United States in the Revolutionary War; and

11 WHEREAS, Galveston, the county's seat, is the birthplace of
12 the national holiday Juneteenth, which marks the day in 1865 that
13 Union Major General Gordon Granger issued General Order No. 3,
14 announcing the freedom of more than 250,000 enslaved Black people
15 in the state; by the late 1800s, the city had become a center for
16 banking and a national hub for immigration; the town was
17 devastated, however, during the Galveston hurricane of 1900, the
18 deadliest natural disaster in U.S. history, and thousands of lives
19 were lost; in the wake of the storm, the Galveston seawall was
20 constructed; and

21 WHEREAS, The ports of Galveston and Texas City contributed
22 greatly to the rebuilding of the area after the hurricane, and along
23 with the chemical and petrochemical complex, continue to be
24 important to the economic development of the county; additionally,

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1 maritime activities, tourism, and retail sales provide jobs for
2 many residents of the region; and

3 WHEREAS, Today, Galveston County is a center for medical
4 services and marine research and is home to a number of institutions
5 of higher education; these include The University of Texas Medical
6 Branch, which encompasses schools of medicine, nursing, health
7 professions, public and population health, and graduate biomedical
8 sciences, and Texas A&M University at Galveston, which is one of six
9 maritime academies in the nation, as well as College of the Mainland
10 and Galveston College; and

11 WHEREAS, Visitors are drawn to the county's natural beauty
12 and miles of beaches and also enjoy such family-friendly
13 attractions as the Galveston County Fair & Rodeo, the Galveston
14 Island Wild Texas Shrimp Festival, and the Blessing of the Fleet
15 boat parade at the Kemah Boardwalk; other points of interest
16 include the Strand Historic District, Schlitterbahn Waterpark, the
17 Galveston Island Historic Pleasure Pier, and Moody Gardens; and

18 WHEREAS, Galveston County is blessed with a rich history and
19 abundant natural resources, and its citizens may take great pride
20 in their continuing contributions to the story of the Lone Star
21 State; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
23 Legislature hereby recognize March 6, 2025, as Galveston County Day
24 at the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the visiting
25 delegation.

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Burrows	Guerra	Morales Shaw
Alders	Guillen	Morgan
Allen	Harless	Muñoz
Anchía	Harris	Noble
Ashby	Harris Davila	Olcott
Barry	Harrison	Oliverson
Bell of Kaufman	Hayes	Ordaz
Bell of Montgomery	Hefner	Orr
Bernal	Hernandez	Patterson
Bhojani	Hickland	Paul
Bonnen	Hinojosa	Perez of El Paso
Bowers	Holt	Perez of Harris
Bryant	Hopper	Phelan
Buckley	Howard	Pierson
Bucy	Hull	Plesa
Bumgarner	Hunter	Raymond
Button	Isaac	Reynolds
Cain	Johnson	Richardson
Campos	Jones of Dallas	Rodríguez Ramos
Canales	Jones of Harris	Romero
Capriglione	Kerwin	Rose
Cole	King	Rosenthal
Collier	Kitzman	Schatzline
Cook	LaHood	Schofield
Cortez	Lalani	Schoolcraft
Craddick	Lambert	Shaheen
Cunningham	Landgraf	Shofner
Curry	Leach	Simmons
Darby	Leo Wilson	Slawson
A. Davis of Dallas	Little	Smithee
Y. Davis of Dallas	Longoria	Spiller
Dean	Lopez of Bexar	Swanson
DeAyala	Lopez of Cameron	Talarico
Dorazio	Louderback	Tepper
Dutton	Lowe	Thompson
Dyson	Lozano	Tinderholt
Fairly	Lujan	Toth
Flores	Luther	Troxclair
Frank	Manuel	Turner
Gámez	Martinez	VanDeaver
Garcia of Bexar	Martinez Fischer	Vasut
Garcia of Dallas	McLaughlin	Villalobos
Garcia Hernandez	McQueeney	Virdell
Gates	Metcalf	Vo
Gerdes	Meyer	Walle
Geren	Meza	Ward Johnson
Gervin-Hawkins	Money	Wharton
González of Dallas	Moody	Wilson
González of El Paso	Morales of Harris	Wu
Goodwin	Morales of Maverick	Zwiener

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 108 was adopted by the House on March 6, 2025, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House