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H.R. No. 151

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of the Deer Park Chamber of Commerce are
2 visiting the State Capitol on March 5, 2025, providing a welcome
3 opportunity to pay tribute to this outstanding organization and the
4 city it serves; and

5 WHEREAS, Located in central Harris County, the area was first
6 settled in 1892 by farmer and former Illinois legislator Simeon
7 Henry West, and it was named for the abundant deer that roamed the
8 Gulf region during that time; in 1893, Mr. West built a hotel and
9 post office, and a railway station was established soon after; and

10 WHEREAS, Deer Park was incorporated in 1948; in the
11 subsequent decades, the city saw significant growth, and today, it
12 is home to more than 33,000 residents; education is a key element in
13 the city's productivity, and in conjunction with the surrounding
14 communities, Deer Park has supported San Jacinto College since its
15 opening in 1961; and

16 WHEREAS, Visitors and residents alike enjoy a range of
17 recreational opportunities, including a community theater and
18 numerous parks; the city also offers such historical attractions as
19 Patrick's Cabin, the site at which the initial treaty papers were
20 drafted following the 1836 Battle of San Jacinto, where Texas
21 secured its independence from Mexico; and

22 WHEREAS, Under the exceptional leadership of president and
23 CEO Paula Moorhaj, chair Debbie Westbeld, and the other board
24 members, the Deer Park Chamber of Commerce is a strong agent

1 promoting economic vitality and quality of life in the region; it
2 boasts numerous committees that are designed to provide its members
3 with key business opportunities and improve the overall standard of
4 living in Deer Park, and it works daily to promote community
5 development; and

6 WHEREAS, The Deer Park Chamber of Commerce has played an
7 important role in building a stronger business network and
8 community, and all those associated with the organization may take
9 pride in their contributions to the area's prosperity; now,
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
12 Legislature hereby recognize March 5, 2025, as Deer Park Chamber of
13 Commerce Day at the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the
14 visiting delegation.