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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Proud residents of Jim Hogg County are gathering in
2 Austin on April 24, 2025, to celebrate Jim Hogg County Day at the
3 State Capitol; and

4 WHEREAS, Located in the Rio Grande Plain region of South
5 Texas, Jim Hogg County is made up of 1,136 square miles of flat to
6 gently rolling terrain; the area was first inhabited some 11,000
7 years ago by hunter-gatherers, and later, it was primarily home to
8 the Coahuiltecan and Lipan Apache peoples until the arrival of
9 Spanish and Mexican settlers, who found that the land was best
10 suited for ranching; during the early 1800s, among the first
11 ranches established were Randado Ranch, El Noriecititas, Las Animas,
12 San Antonio Viejo, Las Enramadas, Las Vivoritas, El Baluarte, and
13 San Javier; and

14 WHEREAS, The first Anglo settlers came to the area in the
15 1830s, and Jim Hogg County was officially organized by the Texas
16 Legislature in 1913; named for Governor James Stephen Hogg, the
17 county encompasses sections that were originally part of Duval and
18 Brooks Counties, and Hebbronville was designated as the county
19 seat; the county's other communities include Agua Nueva, Las
20 Lomitas, Guerra, Randado, and Thompsonville; and

21 WHEREAS, The county saw significant growth with the discovery
22 of oil in 1921, and petroleum production remains a significant
23 factor driving the local economy alongside ranching and other
24 agriculture; today, the county is home to more than 4,500

1 residents, and it is also a destination for hunters due to the
2 presence of white-tailed deer and bobwhite quail; and

3 WHEREAS, The citizens of this notable South Texas county are
4 working to preserve the best of their past as they look forward to a
5 bright and promising future, and it is fitting to honor them for
6 their unique contributions to the story of the Lone Star State; now,
7 therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
9 Legislature hereby recognize April 24, 2025, as Jim Hogg County Day
10 at the State Capitol and extend to the visiting delegation sincere
11 best wishes for a meaningful and memorable stay in Austin.