

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 78

WHEREAS, Proud residents of Parker County are gathering in Austin on March 25, 2025, in celebration of Parker County Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1855 from Bosque and Navarro Counties, Parker County is named for Isaac Parker, who brought 224 settlers to the region in that same year; the county's population and economy continued to expand during the late 19th century, spurred by the construction of three railroads in the area; and

WHEREAS, Springtown was established in 1859 by Captain Joseph Ward of New Jersey, who was impressed by the area's natural beauty and its 25 cold springs; originally known as Littleton Springs, it was renamed Springtown in the 1870s and incorporated in 1884; the county seat, Weatherford, was incorporated in 1858 and named in honor of state senator Jefferson Weatherford, who co-authored the bill establishing the county; for its first decade, the town was the principal frontier settlement in North Texas; and

WHEREAS, Over the decades, Parker County has undergone many changes and today benefits from a diverse market centered on commercial and agribusiness, with local farms and ranches raising beef cattle, dairy cows, and horses and growing pecans and peaches; and

WHEREAS, Weatherford offers such attractions as Clark Gardens, the Doss Heritage and Culture Center, and the Museum of the Americas; the downtown historic district is the site of the old-time Farmers Market, as well as First Monday Trade Days, one of the oldest open-air markets in Texas; named the

Peach Capital of Texas, Weatherford has drawn more than 45,000 attendees for the Parker County Peach Festival, and because of its deep roots in the cutting horse industry and its proximity to the headquarters of the National Cutting Horse Association, the city has gained recognition as the Cutting Horse Capital of the World; and

WHEREAS, Located at the western edge of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, Parker County offers an attractive rural setting combined with proximity to urban amenities, and its citizens can look back with pride at their unique history while they work to build a bright future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby recognize March 25, 2025, as Parker County Day at the State Capitol and extend a warm welcome to the visiting delegation.

King, Hagenbuch

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on March 25, 2025.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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