

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, Residents of Panola County are gathering at the  
2 State Capitol on February 22, 2005, to celebrate the indelible role  
3 their county has played in the history of our great state; and

4           WHEREAS, The First Legislature of Texas officially created  
5 Panola County on March 30, 1846; Judge John Allison, a prominent  
6 civic leader, suggested the name Panola, which is derived from the  
7 Cherokee word for cotton, "ponolo"; the region reaped the rewards  
8 of its cotton-friendly soil, and it soon became the county's main  
9 cash crop; today, Panola County enjoys a diversified economy,  
10 primarily based in oil and gas, coal, agriculture, and timber; and

11           WHEREAS, Located in the Timberlands region of Northeast Texas  
12 bordering Louisiana, Panola County has a dense, attractive  
13 landscape that consists of more than 800 square miles of gentle  
14 plains and scenic woodlands; the county is a desirable destination  
15 for visitors who enjoy the splendid benefits of nature and outdoor  
16 recreational activities, such as fishing in freshwater lakes; and

17           WHEREAS, The area's historic sites and cultural attractions  
18 also draw many visitors to Carthage, the county seat, as well as to  
19 other charming towns, such as Beckville, Bethany, Clayton, Gary,  
20 DeBerry, Pulaski, and Fairplay, the oldest community in the county;  
21 Carthage also boasts the Texas Country Music Hall of Fame, the Tex  
22 Ritter Museum, and the Jim Reeves Memorial; and

23           WHEREAS, The residents of this historic Texas county have  
24 played an important part in preserving their region's past, and it

1 is a pleasure to pay tribute to Panola County and its citizens on  
2 this special day; now, therefore, be it

3           RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas  
4 hereby designate February 22, 2005, Panola County Day at the State  
5 Capitol and extend to the delegation here today sincere best wishes  
6 for an enjoyable visit.

Hopson

Craddick	Geren	Menendez
Allen of Harris	Giddings	Merritt
Allen of Dallas	Gonzales	Miller
Alonzo	Gonzalez Toureilles	Moreno of Harris
Anchia	Goodman	Moreno of El Paso
Anderson	Goolsby	Morrison
Bailey	Griggs	Mowery
Baxter	Grusendorf	Naishtat
Berman	Guillen	Nixon
Blake	Haggerty	Noriega
Bohac	Hamilton	Oliveira
Bonnen	Hamric	Olivo
Branch	Hardcastle	Orr
Brown of Kaufman	Harper-Brown	Otto
Brown of Brazos	Hartnett	Paxton
Burnam	Hegar	Pena
Callegari	Herrero	Phillips
Campbell	Hilderbran	Pickett
Casteel	Hill	Pitts
Castro	Hochberg	Puente
Chavez	Hodge	Quintanilla
Chisum	Homer	Raymond
Coleman	Hope	Reyna
Cook of Navarro	Hopson	Riddle
Cook of Colorado	Howard	Ritter
Corte	Hughes	Rodriguez
Crabb	Hunter	Rose
Crownover	Hupp	Seaman
Davis of Harris	Isett	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	Jackson	Smith of Harris
Dawson	Jones of Lubbock	Smithee
Delisi	Jones of Dallas	Solis
Denny	Keel	Solomons
Deshotel	Keffer of Dallas	Strama
Driver	Keffer of Eastland	Straus
Dukes	King of Parker	Swinford
Dunnam	King of Zavala	Talton
Dutton	Kolkhorst	Taylor
Edwards	Krusee	Thompson
Eiland	Kuempel	Truitt
Eissler	Laney	Turner
Elkins	Laubenberg	Uresti
Escobar	Leibowitz	Van Arsdale
Farabee	Luna	Veasey
Farrar	Madden	Villarreal
Flores	Martinez	Vo
Flynn	Martinez Fischer	West
Frost	McCall	Wong
Gallego	McClendon	Woolley
Gattis	McReynolds	Zedler

David Newkumst

President of the Senate

John Cassel

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 72 was adopted by the House on February 22, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Robert Haney  
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 72 was adopted by the Senate on February 22, 2005, by a viva-voce vote.

Letsy Spaw  
Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 11 Mar '05

Date

Rick Perry  
Governor

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MAR 1 2005  
Secretary of State