State of Texas County of Williamson Know all men by these presents:

THAT ON THIS, the 8th day of September 2009, the Commissioners' Court of Williamson County, Texas, met in duly called session at the Courthouse in Georgetown, with the following members present;

Dan A. Gattis, County Judge Lisa L. Birkman, Commissioner, Precinct One Cynthia Long, Commissioner, Precinct Two Valerie Covey, Commissioner, Precinct Three Ron Morrison, Commissioner, Precinct Four

And at said meeting, among other business, the Court considered the following

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Texas cowboys drove an estimated five million longhorns and one million mustangs up the Texas Chisholm Trail from the late 1860s through the late 1880s marking the largest known migration of livestock in world history; and

WHEREAS, the era of the great Texas cattle drives was instrumental in the development of the post-Civil War economy throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, many of the earliest cattle drives originated in Williamson County, passing through many of the communities in the county in route to northern and western cattle markets; and

WHEREAS, the convergence of the North and South Forks of the San Gabriel River marked a significant crossing point for cattle drives passing through Georgetown, the Williamson County seat; and

WHEREAS, this rich heritage continues with modern day Williamson County cattle raisers pioneering the new Chisholm Trail, the Interstate 35 corridor;

WHEREAS, The Williamson Museum hosts the annual *Up the Chisholm Trail* event each September to celebrate Williamson County's rich cattle driving and raising heritage, past and present, and the county's location on the historic Texas Chisholm Trail;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Therefore, be it resolved, September 11 and September 12, 2009, shall be *Up the Chisholm Trail* Days in Williamson County. All citizens are urged to take time to learn about our County's unique cowboy heritage.

RESOLVED THIS 8th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2009

Attest: Nancy E. Rister

Williamson County Clerk

Dan A. Gattis

Williamson County Judge

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