



**STATE OF TEXAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

March is an especially important time in the history of our great state. From Texas Independence Day on March 2 to the anniversary of the Battle of the Alamo on March 6, and even the birthday of Sam Houston, also on March 2, this time of year speaks to the rich heritage of the Lone Star State.

Each year, schools, governments, businesses and other organizations commemorate March as Texas History Month, honoring the unique story of and figures in Texas' founding as an independent republic and its emergence as one of America's most dynamic states. As Texans, we enjoy celebrating our culture and traditions. While we commemorate our history throughout this entire month, let us remember the call of the 42nd Texas Legislature to come together and observe Texas Week. This is a time where our Texan pride should be on full display.

During this week, I encourage my fellow Texans to: raise high the Lone Star flag each and every day, inspiring us to give thanks for this land and the men and women who have fought for its freedom and passed down our cherished right to liberty; visit museums, battlefields and historic sites across the state that give witness to our great leaders, remarkable struggles and economic advancements; celebrate our heritage and traditions with family and friends and through civic organizations; and remember how we have been shaped into the society we are today and what makes us unique as Texans — our love of independence, our many backgrounds and our role as a leader in this great nation.


Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim February 26–March 4, 2017, to be

## **Texas Week**



in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof, I hereby affix my signature this the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2017.

  
Governor of Texas