



“To encourage and promote the education of the general public regarding Texas Independence Day and the history of Texas and its people”

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Dear Fellow Texan,

Texas Independence Day will be here in a few short weeks and we need your help. As you may be aware, Celebrate Texas is entering its tenth year of promoting Texas Independence Day on March 2nd. We are teaching young and old about the great State of Texas and the history of its people. In 2000 we staged the first ever Texas Independence Day Parade in Austin, Texas up Congress Ave. to the State Capitol. The general public also enjoyed a program of Texas cultural music and dance in the Capitol Rotunda.

We have since added a Memorial Service for the Veterans of the Texas Revolution at our State Cemetery, a Memorial Service to the Defenders of the Alamo held on the Capitol grounds and a 5K Run around the Capitol preceding the parade. This year, we will also sponsor our Ninth Annual Celebrate Texas Jay L. Johnson Memorial Celebrity Golf Tournament on Monday, March 8, 2010 at the beautiful Falconhead Golf Club.

For our young Texans, we sponsor a 4th Grade Art contest, a 7th Grade Essay Contest and a 10th Grade Essay Contest, all focusing on some aspect of Texas or its history. We select first, second and third place winners in four geographical areas and award a total of twelve prizes in each contest. All twelve winners of the 4th Grade Contest receive Celebrate Texas merchandise, as do the second and third place winners in the other two contests. The four first place winners in the in the 7th Grade Contest each receive a check for One Hundred Dollars. The four first place winners in the in the 10th Grade Contest each receive a COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FOR ONE-THOUSAND DOLLARS.

The people of Texas have come from all over the world and bring with them many family customs and beliefs. Texas Independence Day is the one day of the year when everyone can come together and celebrate our unique land and heritage. From the beginning, our motto has been “Together We Are Texas” and you can help us with our commitment to teach and celebrate our Great State and the men and women who made her so.

In 1999, Jay L. Johnson founded Celebrate Texas, Inc. because he was increasingly concerned that fewer people were celebrating Texas, Texas Heritage and Texas Independence Day, so he decided to do something about it. Now you have the opportunity to step forward and do something about it, as well. Please consider joining Celebrate Texas in our efforts by sending a generous contribution which will fund our many programs. Remember, Celebrate Texas, Inc is a 501-C-3 Non-Profit, charitable organization so your gift is tax deductible and all donations go directly to the support our goals.

For more information on Celebrate Texas and our events, please visit our website at www.celebrate-texas.org

Thank you for your support and pride in the Great State of Texas.

God Bless Texas,

Celebration of Texas Independence Day, Inc.

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