



**STATE OF TEXAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

A hallmark of our great state is its entrepreneurial spirit. Indeed, the stories of industrious, innovative Texans are woven into the very fabric of the state itself. To a great extent, the power and worth of the Lone Star State is derived from the valiant men and women who strive to use their talents in service to those around them. In so doing, they build a better, more prosperous life for themselves and for their posterity, and in turn, they have made Texas a formidable economic powerhouse. Today, there is no place wherein the American Dream is as eminently attainable as it is in Texas, and in many instances, local chambers of commerce enable Texans to achieve this inimitable dream.

These local chambers of commerce function as the bridge that connects citizens to their aspirations. The chambers bolster the communities they serve by fostering a vibrant business culture, promoting local projects, and cultivating a climate in which businesses of all sizes can thrive. These altruistic organizations forge crucial networks of social and professional connections that pave the way for growth and prosperity. As a byproduct of their commendable work, chambers of commerce also spark job creation, improve education, and develop local infrastructure. Local chambers' work is, no doubt, felt far and wide, and their community investments have helped to make Texas the envy of the world.

Each year, a week in October is set aside to acknowledge the achievements of local chambers of commerce and to celebrate the critical role they play in our state. By providing robust support to their communities, chambers of commerce aid Texans as they strive to secure the blessings of liberty. At this time, I encourage all Texans to join me in commending these organizations that work to build a better future for all Texans.

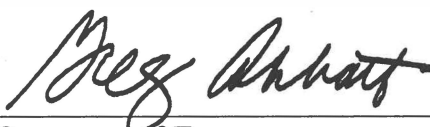
Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim October 17–21, 2022, to be

## **Chamber of Commerce Week**



in Texas and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof,  
I hereby affix my signature this the  
16th day of August, 2022.

  
Governor of Texas