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Longview, Pine Tree and other East Texas high school football teams begin second season.

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‘CREATING A DESTINATION’

Large crowd celebrates grand opening of FRESH By Brookshire’s in Longview



Representatives from Brookshire’s as well as community members help cut the ribbon Thursday at the FRESH By Brookshire’s in Longview. The 66,000-square-foot store employs about 250 people. (Les Hassell/News-Journal Photo)

BY JO LEE FERGUSON  
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Sure, the outdoor patio, grill and bar at Longview’s new FRESH By Brookshire’s are pretty nice, along with a stage for live music and a playground for the kids.

We like having a choice of ordering from a

sushi bar or Mexican taqueria bar. The large cinnamon rolls made in the artisan bakery were tempting. And someone will definitely need to order their wedding flowers at the full-service floral shop while they’re grocery shopping.

But tell us what we really want to know: Is Longview No 1?

Brookshire’s first FRESH opened in 2011

in Tyler. The second opened in 2022 in Fate. That’s the one that Brad Brookshire, company CEO, compared Longview’s store to during a grand opening event Wednesday.

“But we’ve added some things,” Brookshire said “This is the best store we’ve put together in the history of our company.”

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Trump  
signs  
funding  
measure

Government operations begin to resume as bill ends federal shutdown

BY ARIS FOLLEY  
CQ-Roll Call

WASHINGTON — The longest partial government shutdown in history ended late Wednesday night when President Donald Trump signed into law a short-term spending patch that funds federal agencies through January.

Flanked by House GOP leaders around his desk in the Oval Office, Trump signed the bill as he repeated his call for abolishing the Senate filibuster to avoid the risk of another shutdown.

“This is no way to run a country,” Trump said in signing the bill ending a 43-day partial shutdown. “I hope we can all agree the government should never be shut down again.”

The House sent Trump the legislation just hours earlier, when it voted to clear the measure on a 222-209 vote that fell mostly along

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Abbott stops in East Texas  
to detail property tax plan

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TYLER – Cheering and camera flashes filled ETX Brewing Company on Wednesday in downtown Tyler as Gov. Greg Abbott made his way to the front of a tightly packed crowd, shaking hands with potential voters as he began his reelection campaign.

“Some of you will remember in the last election, I said the time has come for Texas to pass education freedom choice for every parent and every child across the entire state of Texas,

and I said there was an easy way to do it or hard way to do it,” Abbott said. “The Legislature took the hard way, and we went on the campaign trail, and we elected enough votes to get it done. I’m committed to do the same thing with regard to property tax reform.”

Abbott announced his campaign for his fourth term as governor Sunday in Houston. He stopped in Tyler for his “Texas Taxpayer Empowerment” event, which outlined his plan

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Gov. Greg Abbott, seated center, speaks about his property tax elimination plan Wednesday at ETX Brewing Co. in Tyler. With him are, clockwise from left, standing, state Rep. Joanne Shofner, state Rep. Brent Money, state Rep. Jay Dean, state Rep. Daniel Alders and state Sen. Bryan Hughes. (Les Hassell/News-Journal Photo)

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