

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 276

WHEREAS, Sonora Bank is celebrating its 125th anniversary on March 18, 2025, providing a fitting opportunity to recognize the important role it has played in communities across the West Texas region and beyond; and

WHEREAS, The institution traces its origins to 1900, when E. R. Jackson organized the First National Bank of Sonora; he was elected president during a meeting on May 3, and he was joined on the inaugural board of directors by W. L. Aldwell, E. F. Vander Stucken, W. E. Whitehead, George S. Allison, R. F. Halbert, and D. A. Cauthorn; the bank opened on August 15, 1900, operating inside two stores before the construction of a new building in 1928; initially serving local farmers, ranchers, and small businesses, the bank expanded its reach over time to meet the changing needs of the towns it served, and it exhibited tremendous resilience in withstanding financial challenges during such events as the Great Depression and World Wars I and II; and

WHEREAS, Today, Sonora Bank encompasses 10 locations across West Texas and the Hill Country, including branches in Boerne, Bulverde, Hutto, New Braunfels, San Angelo, San Antonio, and Wimberley; benefiting from the leadership of its shareholders and its board of directors, which includes Bob Malone, Jamie Davis Mayer, Bridget Carr, Lindsay Johnson Crane, Edward Earwood, Paul Mueller, and Besa Robison Martin, the bank helps create employment opportunities for residents while partnering with area organizations; moreover, it gives back to the community at large through its philanthropic efforts and support of civic programs; and

WHEREAS, A beacon of reliability and trust, Sonora Bank has demonstrated a steadfast commitment to the people of the Lone Star State by fostering financial stability and prosperity across generations, and the foundation of good corporate citizenship on which it is built will help to ensure its existence well into the future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby commemorate the 125th anniversary of Sonora Bank and extend to all those associated with the institution sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Sonora Bank as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Campbell

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on March 19, 2025.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate