

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 10

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the members of the Buford and Cohran families on the special occasion of the Buford/Cohran family reunion in Dallas on July 11-13, 2003; and

WHEREAS, The recorded history of the Cohran family name begins in 1825 in Wilkes County, Georgia, with the will of Elenor Hutton, who left all her property to her daughter, Sally Cohron; among the property that was inherited by Sally Cohron was a slave, Jenny, and Jenny's four children, Dick, Maria, Lea, and Maryan; although spelled differently, this is how and where the Cohran name originated; and

WHEREAS, Sally's daughter Sarah became heir to the property and moved, with Jenny and her sons, to Mississippi; as freed people by 1875, Jenny's family began to prosper and acquired land in Oxford, Mississippi, some of which remains in the family today; and

WHEREAS, Lea's son Berry Cohran had nine children; two of his daughters, Leanna and Addie, married Bufords, thereby making the Buford family name prominent; and

WHEREAS, The Buford and Cohran family members are successful men and women who have contributed greatly to their communities through their leadership, integrity, and concern for others; and

WHEREAS, The family includes four generations of teachers beginning with Felix Cohran in the early 1900s; and

WHEREAS, The Buford/Cohran Family Reunion provides an opportunity for family members to learn of their rich history,

celebrate their heritage, and prepare for the future; it manifests the family's pride in its heritage and its commitment to family unity and loyalty; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby extend best wishes to the members of the Buford and Cohran families for a joyous family reunion; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for them as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate