

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 19

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas takes pleasure in recognizing the *Denton Record-Chronicle* on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, On August 3, 1903, the owner of the *Daily Record and Chronicle*, William Cunningham Edwards, published the first edition of his paper, which would later become the *Denton Record-Chronicle*; the newspaper originated from the merger of the *Denton County Record*, established in 1898, and *The Denton Chronicle*, established in 1882; and

WHEREAS, The newspaper was owned by the Edwards family until 1945 and then was bought by Riley Cross; his family continued ownership until 1999, when the paper was purchased by the Belo Corporation, one of the nation's largest media companies; Mr. Cross's grandson, Bill Patterson, is the paper's current publisher and chief executive officer; and

WHEREAS, As the City of Denton grew from a population of 4,187 in 1903 to more than 90,000 today, the *Denton Record-Chronicle* recorded its changes, from births and deaths to business openings and closings; and

WHEREAS, For 100 years, the *Denton Record-Chronicle* has played a major role in the progress of Denton and the surrounding communities; it has served as a voice for its citizens, as well as a chronicle of the history of the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend the publisher, owners, and staff of the *Denton Record-Chronicle* for the many contributions the newspaper has made to the citizens of Denton and to the state and extend to them best wishes for a joyous centennial celebration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Nelson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on September 17, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate