SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 35

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Kim J. Askew, who has been named chair of the Board of Directors of the State Bar of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Kim Askew is a partner in the Dallas law office of Hughes & Luce LLP, which she joined in 1984 after serving as a clerk with the former chief judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas; she is a member of the firm's Management Committee and practices in the Trial and Dispute Resolution and Labor and Employment sections; and

WHEREAS, Kim has practiced before federal district courts around the country and has been named one of the Best Lawyers in America for her commercial litigation practice; she has also been recognized as Best Lawyer in Dallas for her labor and employment practice; and

WHEREAS, Before assuming her position as the chair of the Board of Directors of the State Bar of Texas, she served on the organization's Executive Committee and as chair of its 7,500-member Litigation Section; and

WHEREAS, This accomplished attorney-at-law has held numerous positions in the American, Texas, and Dallas bar associations; she served on the American Bar Association's Commission on Women in the Profession and cochaired the Judiciary Committee of the Dallas Bar Association; she also chaired the Evidentiary Panel of the District 6A Grievance Committee for the State Bar of Texas; and

WHEREAS, A widely published author and national speaker on various discovery, evidentiary, pretrial, trial, and labor and employment issues, Kim coauthored *Texas Civil Pretrial Practice* for West Publishing; and

WHEREAS, She has received numerous awards for her bar affiliations, and in 1999, she received the Gene Cavin Award, the State Bar of Texas' highest award, for her contributions to continuing legal education; and

WHEREAS, Kim is a 1979 summa cum laude graduate of Knoxville College and a 1983 graduate of Georgetown University Law School; she was named one of the inaugural Outstanding Alumnae of the law school based on her achievements in the legal profession, and she is a member of the Georgetown University Board of Regents; she has served on the board of directors for several community organizations, including the Greater Dallas Chamber of Commerce and Paul Quinn College; she is a director of the Dallas Museum of Art; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary professional, Kim Askew is highly respected for her legal expertise and her community involvement, and she deserves recognition for her many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend Kim J. Askew for her exceptional achievements and extend to her congratulations on her appointment as chair of the Board of Directors of the State Bar of Texas; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of high regard 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 September 22, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate