SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 113

WHEREAS, This chamber places great importance on enhancing the prosperity of the Lone Star State through economic development and tourism and wishes to recognize the potential of Houston's Bayou Bowl in this regard; and

WHEREAS, A showcase of great football talent, the inaugural Bayou Bowl was played on June 21, 2003, pitting the Houston-Area High School All-Stars against the State of Louisiana High School All-Stars; this exciting event drew more than 8,500 visitors from Texas and Louisiana to the Houston area and was televised by Fox Sports Net across five states; and

WHEREAS, The Bayou Bowl was sponsored by the Greater Houston Football Coaches Association, with support from the Harris County Houston Sports Authority, and was played at Baytown's Stallworth Stadium; proceeds from the game were dedicated to college scholarships and to the further development of high school student athletics; and

WHEREAS, Texas enjoys wide renown for its high school football, and events such as the Bayou Bowl offer tremendous benefits to the state's educational facilities and businesses by attracting tourist dollars; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby recognize the importance of the Bayou Bowl to the state and encourage all oversight and governing bodies to embrace and support this event.

Williams

President of the Senate

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

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate