

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 658

WHEREAS, Philip of Macedonia, his son, Alexander the Great, and his tutor, Aristotle, were born and raised in the northern province of Greece, Macedonia; and

WHEREAS, The language and culture of the ancient Macedonians, the ancestors of the inhabitants of northern Greece of today, were Hellenic; and

WHEREAS, The Macedonians, like the rest of the Hellenes in antiquity, believed in the 12 gods of Olympus and participated with their fellow Hellenes in the Olympic Games; and

WHEREAS, Pella, the palace where Alexander the Great was born, and Vergina, the burial site of the Macedonian kings, are all located in northern Greece; and

WHEREAS, The history of ancient Macedonia has been Hellenic for the last 3,000 years and continues to be today; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby recognize that the ancient Macedonians are Hellenes and that the inhabitants of the northern province of Greece, Macedonia, are their Hellenic descendants.

Gallegos

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate