SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 698

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that the Texas Senate recognize longtime employees for their state service; and

WHEREAS, One of these employees was Katherine Staat, who served in the Senate Media Department for 26 and one-half years; during that time, she witnessed many technological advancements within the department, including the use of the Internet, and an increase in the department's responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, Katherine Staat began her employment with the Texas Senate on January 24, 1974, as a Clerk III in the Senate Media Department and, with a short break in service, she was with the department until August 1, 2001; and

WHEREAS, After being named a Lab Technician II on March 1, 1977, Katherine went on to become a Photographer and Information Media Coordinator, gaining a thorough knowledge of all aspects of Media Services; and

WHEREAS, On January 1, 1986, Katherine was appointed Director of Media Services; among her duties, she was responsible for overseeing the maintenance and operation of the audio, video, and taping systems in the Senate chamber and committee rooms; the production of daily radio shows and weekly newsletters, in English and Spanish, during regular and special sessions; and the photographing of senators and Senate floor action during legislative sessions; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the legislature, Senate Media Services has maintained a reputation for hard work, creativity, and talent; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby recognize Katherine Staat for her 26 and one-half years with Senate Media Services and extend best wishes to her in her future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as a memento of her legislative service.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 29, 2003.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate