

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 737

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the City of Fort Worth on its distinction as the second most charitable city in the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, A study by the *Chronicle of Philanthropy* found that Fort Worth residents give 10.9 percent of their discretionary household income, the money left after paying for housing, food, and taxes, to their churches and local charities; and

**WHEREAS**, Among the most generous people in the nation, Fort Worth residents are ranked second behind the residents of Detroit and are tied with New Yorkers in supporting worthy causes; and

**WHEREAS**, In addition to donating needed funds to deserving institutions and agencies, Fort Worth residents are generous with their time, contributing many hours to their churches and charities; and

**WHEREAS**, Numerous groups in the City of Fort Worth that work for the spiritual enrichment and social betterment of society have benefited from the investment that local citizens have made in them; and

**WHEREAS**, Fort Worth residents know the value of sharing their riches and gifts with those less fortunate, and their generosity has been a source of strength to the community; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby commend the people of Fort Worth for demonstrating true charity toward their fellowman, and extend congratulations to the city on its ranking as the second most charitable city in our nation; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the people of this great Texas city as an expression of esteem 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 May 2, 2003.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate