SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 798

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Esther Polland for her outstanding work as president of the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston on the occasion of the federation's annual meeting on May 28, 2003; and

WHEREAS, During Esther's two-year presidency, the federation has been highly successful in meeting its goals to preserve and enrich Jewish life locally, nationally in Israel, and throughout the world; under her leadership, the organization has raised in excess of \$20 million to support its charitable activities; and

WHEREAS, Esther Polland has a strong history of leadership in the Jewish community through her work with the federation; she served as chairman of both the General Campaign and the Women's Division Campaign for two years, and she served as vice president of the federation for many years; and

WHEREAS, She is a member of the Executive Committee of United Jewish Communities and serves as a board member of its National Women's Constituency; she also serves as president elect of The University of Texas Hillel in Austin; and

WHEREAS, Highly respected as a gentle "giant" of a leader, Esther makes working for an important cause an enjoyable experience, and she makes others feel appreciated, even in hard times; and

WHEREAS, Her achievements reflect her commitment to helping her fellowman, and communities throughout the world are better places due to her efforts; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,

78th Legislature, hereby commend Esther Polland for her

exceptional leadership and congratulate her on her accomplishments

as president of the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston; and, be

it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her 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 12, 2003.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate