

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 99

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dr. Larry R. Faulkner for his years of outstanding service as president of The University of Texas at Austin; and

**WHEREAS**, One of the longest-serving presidents in the history of the university, Dr. Faulkner will be remembered not only for his numerous achievements but for the solid foundation he established for the university's future; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Faulkner's accomplishments as president ensured the institution's constitutional mandate that it be a "university of the first class"; among his many initiatives was the creation of the Commission of 125, a group of alumni and citizens who charted a long-term vision and plan for the university; and

**WHEREAS**, Achievements of the Faulkner administration include developing the holdings of the university's museum system, such as acquiring the Woodward-Bernstein Watergate archive, planning the building of the new Blanton Museum and acquiring the Suida-Manning and Steinberg collections; and

**WHEREAS**, Serious efforts were made to include all segments of the Texas population, racial, ethnic and geographic, into the life of the university; Latin America was given priority among the university's international interests; and

**WHEREAS**, The "We're Texas" campaign became the most successful fund-raising campaign in the university's history, raising over \$1.6 billion; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commend Dr. Larry R. Faulkner for his valuable contributions to The University of Texas at Austin and to our state; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Zaffirini, Barrientos

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 18, 2005.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate

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