

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 227

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Tracye McDaniel, who has recently been named chief operations officer for the Greater Houston Partnership; and

WHEREAS, Formerly executive director of the Office of the Governor Economic Development and Tourism Division, Tracye brings more than 21 years of executive and senior management experience to her new position with the Greater Houston Partnership; and

WHEREAS, Tracye spearheaded the development of more than 16,000 new jobs and supervised a capital investment of over \$4.3 billion during her tenure as executive director, and as a result, *Site Selection* magazine rated the Texas business climate as the best in the nation for the third consecutive year in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Under Tracye's leadership as tourism director, Texas became the second most-visited state in the country; she was honored as one of the "Most Influential African Americans in the Meetings/Tourism Industry" by *Black Meetings and Tourism Magazine* and as one of the "Most Powerful Women in Travel"; and

WHEREAS, Tracye serves in leadership positions in many industry and professional organizations, including the Capital City African-American Chamber of Commerce, the Travel Industry Association of America, the Texas Economic Development Corporation, and the Texas Small Business Industrial Development Corporation; and

WHEREAS, A vital part of the Texas business development community for many years, Tracye will be a valuable addition to the Greater Houston Partnership, and she is truly deserving of legislative recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend Tracye McDaniel for her outstanding work on behalf of her community and of the state and extend congratulations to her on her new position; 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, 2006.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate