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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Students and alumni of Prairie View A&M University,
2 a leading nationally recognized historically black university,
3 take justifiable pride in their alma mater, now preparing to
4 celebrate its 130th anniversary in 2006; and

5 WHEREAS, Prairie View A&M University as one of the two oldest
6 public institutions of higher learning in the Lone Star State, was
7 founded in 1876 under the Texas Constitution and the Morrill Land
8 Grant College Act of 1860 and 1890 to educate African-American
9 students who availed themselves of the opportunity to become
10 productive citizens; the University has been a valued asset to the
11 State of Texas, and the nation; and

12 WHEREAS, Over the years, this historically black university
13 has established itself as an outstanding institution of higher
14 learning for those in pursuit of knowledge, regardless of their
15 race, color, creed, religious beliefs or national origin, having
16 produced an overwhelming number of our state's most vital
17 professionals, including nurses, engineers, and educators and
18 military officers; and

19 WHEREAS, Prairie View A&M's Staff and Faculty have committed
20 themselves to meeting the educational needs of the community by
21 fostering a harmonious balance between preparation for
22 professional specialization and the liberal arts and sciences
23 curriculum, thereby insuring that the university will remain an
24 indispensable and welcome presence in the Texas landscape; now,

1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
3 Legislature hereby commemorate the 130th anniversary of Prairie
4 View A&M University and extend sincere best wishes for continued
5 success and growth as a historically black institution of higher
6 education, in the years ahead; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for the institution as an expression of high regard by the
9 Texas House of Representatives.