

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dale L. Bates of San Angelo has long helped to
2 heighten awareness of weather modification technologies in an
3 effort to alleviate drought in the Lone Star State, and it is a
4 pleasure to honor this notable Texan at this time; and

5 WHEREAS, A member of the Irion County Water Conservation
6 District from 1987 to 2001, Mr. Bates taught many people how to use
7 rainfall enhancement technologies, or cloud seeding, to curtail
8 water shortages on the Edwards Plateau; and

9 WHEREAS, In 1996, he helped form the West Texas Weather
10 Modification Association, and he has subsequently shared the
11 experience he gained in that endeavor with other groups of Texans
12 interested in forming similar organizations; in addition, he was
13 integrally involved in the establishment of a weather modification
14 flare production facility in San Angelo, which was developed to
15 ensure that all cloud-seeding projects in the state are adequately
16 equipped; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Bates cofounded the Texas Weather Modification
18 Association and served as its chair from 1997 to 2004; he has worked
19 diligently to coordinate the efforts of the various weather
20 modification groups to ensure that cloud seeding is conducted in a
21 professional, cost-effective manner that benefits the people and
22 economy of Texas; and

23 WHEREAS, Dale Bates has devoted countless hours to addressing
24 the drought concerns of Texans throughout the state, and he is most

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1 deserving of special recognition for his invaluable contributions
2 to the Lone Star State and its citizens; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
4 Legislature hereby honor Dale L. Bates for his tireless efforts to
5 promote the use of cloud-seeding technology to enhance the state's
6 atmospheric water resources and protect and preserve surface water
7 and groundwater resources in the Lone Star State; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1232 was adopted by the House on April 29, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House