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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Dale L. Bates of San Angelo has long helped to 2 heighten awareness of weather modification technologies in an

effort to alleviate drought in the Lone Star State, and it is a

pleasure to honor this notable Texan at this time; and

5 WHEREAS, A member of the Irion County Water Conservation

District from 1987 to 2001, Mr. Bates taught many people how to use

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

Modification Association, and he has subsequently shared the

experience he gained in that endeavor with other groups of Texans

12 interested in forming similar organizations; in addition, he was

integrally involved in the establishment of a weather modification

flare production facility in San Angelo, which was developed to

ensure that all cloud-seeding projects in the state are adequately

16 equipped; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Bates cofounded the Texas Weather Modification

Association and served as its chair from 1997 to 2004; he has worked

diligently to coordinate the efforts of the various weather

modification groups to ensure that cloud seeding is conducted in a

professional, cost-effective manner that benefits the people and

22 economy of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Dale Bates has devoted countless hours to addressing

the drought concerns of Texans throughout the state, and he is most

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

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas Legislature hereby honor Dale L. Bates for his tireless efforts to promote the use of cloud-seeding technology to enhance the state's atmospheric water resources and protect and preserve surface water and groundwater resources in the Lone Star State; and, be it further RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Mr. Bates as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.