

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 49

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the City of Grand Prairie and to welcome the Grand Prairie delegation to the State Capitol on February 22, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Since its incorporation in 1909, Grand Prairie has served as home to many generations of Texans; this friendly and economically vibrant city now has over 140,000 residents; and

WHEREAS, Grand Prairie was first known as Dechman, named after Alexander McRae Dechman, whose property became the site of the current city; and

WHEREAS, The people of Grand Prairie take great pride in their community; they are ably served by the Grand Prairie Independent School District, which celebrated its 100th anniversary during the 2002-2003 school year; Joe Pool Lake, set among the rolling hills of south Grand Prairie, serves more than one million visitors each year; recent efforts by the city have created a thriving economy which has recently attracted more than 3,000 jobs and \$150 million in investments; and

WHEREAS, Known as one of the best places to live, work, and raise a family, Grand Prairie was honored with a 2003 Keep Texas Beautiful Governor's Award; and

WHEREAS, The people of Grand Prairie are proud of their many achievements and look forward to an even more prosperous future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby proclaim February 22, 2005, Grand Prairie

Day at the State Capitol and extend best wishes to the city's delegation for a memorable visit to the Capitol; and, be it further

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

Harris, Brimer, Averitt

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 22, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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