SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 99

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to pay tribute to the senior citizens of our state and to proclaim February 8, 2005, Senior Day at the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Today, nearly three million Texans are at least 60 years of age; by 2020, it is estimated more than five million Texans will be senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, Senior Texans have provided decades of service as leaders of communities across the state by building the public and private sectors of our state's economy and by promoting cultural expansion; and

WHEREAS, These exemplary residents have helped Texas achieve greatness in agriculture, education, industry, information technology, literature, the performing and visual arts, space exploration and sports; and

WHEREAS, Through their exemplary service to others and through their enthusiasm for living life to the fullest, they are role models for younger Texans; a special appreciation goes to the members of "The Greatest Generation" for the many sacrifices they made at home and abroad during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Our seniors reflect our diverse ethnic, spiritual and cultural roots, as well as our common bonds and our pride in the Lone Star State and our nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby extend a warm welcome to the senior Texans who are visiting the State Capitol on this special day in their honor; and, be it further

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

Zaffirini

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 8, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate