

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 106

WHEREAS, For more than three decades, the members of the Texas Probation Association have provided leadership through training, networking opportunities, and advocacy for probation professionals throughout the Lone Star State; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1974, the organization represents professionals in the nearly 300 adult and juvenile probation departments across the state who are responsible for enforcing court orders, collecting fees, providing offender treatment and counseling referrals, and collecting restitution for victims; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Probation Association and its membership strive to enhance public safety as their primary role while maintaining efficiency for Texas taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, The probation system is the most cost-effective alternative to long-term incarceration, providing the courts with additional resources designed to reduce recidivism and provide treatment for the offender; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Probation Association provides these individuals with a unified voice, empowering them to express their concerns, make public their successes, and articulate their vision for the future; and

WHEREAS, The men and women of the Texas Probation Association are dedicated to improving the state's criminal and juvenile justice systems, and their efforts in this regard are helping to build a brighter and more promising future for all Texans; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby recognize February 8, 2005, as Texas Probation Association Day at the Capitol and extend to the members of the organization sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the Texas Probation Association as an expression of high regard by the Texas Senate.

Staples

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