SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 516

WHEREAS, Members of Leadership Rowlett 2005 are visiting the State Capitol on March 30 and 31, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Sponsored by the chamber of commerce, the Rowlett group is part of a national leadership program in which participants attend class sessions over a nine-month period to meet local civic and business leaders and to learn more about the city's history, government, economy, and social issues; the curriculum combines lectures, dialogue, and interaction to stimulate a cooperative environment and to help the participants cultivate personal, organizational, and community leadership skills; and

WHEREAS, This year's group operates under the direction of Chairman Owen G. Lokken, of the Rowlett Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, David Watlington, program chairman of Leadership Rowlett, and facilitator Joan Leonard; benefiting from their commitment and guidance are 12 individuals who represent a diverse array of backgrounds and disciplines, and they include: Scott A. Airitam of Leadership Systems; Charles W. Alexander of the Garland Independent School District; Shane E. Brown of Texans Credit Union; Dretha J. Burris of Coyle Middle School; Peggy L. Debruge of Perot Systems; Danae M. Deltoro of JP Morgan Chase; David W. Dunphy of Rowlett High School; Pamela H. Liston of The Liston Law Firm; L. Dianna Nelson-Molix of Concerned Americans in Action; Craig S. Owens of the City of Rowlett; Lori L. Trahan, D.V.M., of Four Paws Animal Hospital; and James M. Walling of the Rowlett Police Department; and

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WHEREAS, Endeavoring to build a more informed and involved citizenry and to develop new leaders, this invaluable program, and all those associated with it, are helping to ensure a bright future for the citizens of Rowlett; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby recognize the members of Leadership Rowlett and extend to them sincere best wishes for an educational and enjoyable visit to the seat of Texas government; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the Leadership Rowlett participants as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 31, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate