

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 716

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the client representatives of the legal aid service providers in the Southwest states who are gathering in Austin for the Region VII Client Conference April 27 through 29, 2005; and

WHEREAS, The theme of the conference, "Voices for Justice," signifies the purpose of legal aid service providers and the role of client representatives; the event provides an opportunity for the client representatives to share ideas and to learn ways to better inform their communities of the services and benefits provided by legal aid; and

WHEREAS, Hosted by Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid, Incorporated, the conference will have in attendance client representatives from the states of Arizona, California, New Mexico, and Oklahoma, as well as from various cities throughout Texas; and

WHEREAS, The conference attendees will visit the State Capitol and a local legal aid services clinic, and they will have classes on becoming more effective leaders, using social workers in legal services, and taking advantage of technology to access legal aid resources; and

WHEREAS, The client representatives are advocates for increased legislative support for legal aid service providers and do an outstanding job of communicating to their communities the availability and accessibility of legal aid services for low-income families; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend the client representatives attending the Region VII Client Conference for their services and extend to them best wishes for a successful and productive event; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Barrientos

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 29, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate