

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 854

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Dramatic Order of Knights and Princesses of Omar of the Grand Court Order of Calanthe Jurisdiction of Texas on the occasion of their state convention; and

**WHEREAS**, Founded May 30, 1897, on the principles of fidelity, harmony, and love, the Dramatic Order of Knights and Princesses of Omar has provided generations of service to its community; and

**WHEREAS**, Established to promote benevolence and charity and to improve the well-being of mankind, this commendable organization has created numerous programs through the years to further these goals; and

**WHEREAS**, To promote the involvement of young people in society, a youth auxiliary was formed in 1907, and a scholarship fund was begun in 1954; during the Great Depression, the Grand Court Order of Calanthe lent \$46,000 to Paul Quinn College for building construction; and

**WHEREAS**, Celebrating over a century of community service, this outstanding organization is holding its state convention July 3 through 5, 2005, in Houston; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend the Dramatic Order of Knights and Princesses of Omar of the Grand Court Order of Calanthe Jurisdiction of Texas for their history of service and achievement; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for this fine organization as an expression of esteem 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 May 11, 2005.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate