SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 864

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Houston Lawyers Association on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, The Houston Lawyers Association was founded in 1955 to serve as a unified voice for equal access and justice in the legal system in Houston for African American lawyers and the broader African American community; and

WHEREAS, Great strides toward these goals have been made on both the local and national level since the association's founding, and the Houston Lawyers Association will continue to build on this legacy in the future; and

WHEREAS, The association will salute its remarkable history and celebrate "Honoring Our History . . . Furthering Our Legacy" on May 21, 2005, at the 50th Anniversary Gala being held in the Hilton Americas Hotel located in downtown Houston; and

WHEREAS, The gala celebration will be a tribute to the lawyers who were pioneers in the early days of the association's founding and a chance to continue building on the legacy of its past; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby recognize the Houston Lawyers Association on the special occasion of its 50th Anniversary Gala; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the members of the association 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.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate