WHEREAS, Times of great crisis often inspire noble actions, and the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina proved to be no exception, as evidenced by the many extraordinary relief efforts witnessed in Texas; and

WHEREAS, In response to the overwhelming needs of hurricane survivors relocated to Houston, 48 staff members of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission worked long shifts for eight days in September 2005 at the George R. Brown Convention Center; TABC employees from Austin, Beaumont, Bryan, Corpus Christi, and Victoria joined agents from the Houston area to provide important reinforcement for local police officers; and

WHEREAS, With the transformation of the center into an indoor city, complete with thousands of residents, TABC agents were essential in registering evacuees, providing security, and ensuring order; their professionalism and leadership contributed greatly to the center's ability to provide a controlled, safe environment for some 25,000 survivors who sought help there that week; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed group of citizens did not hesitate to answer the state's urgent request for assistance during a most challenging time, and their generous and compassionate actions make us all proud to call ourselves Texans; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas Legislature hereby commend the 48 agents of the Texas Alcoholic


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Beverage Commission who participated in Hurricane Katrina relief efforts at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston for their remarkable support and extend to them sincere best wishes for happiness and success in the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission staff as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.


