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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the State Firemen's and Fire
Marshals' Association of Texas are visiting the Capitol on March
21, 2007; and

WHEREAS, The oldest and largest fire service association in Texas, this notable organization was founded in 1876, and for more than 130 years its members have ably served the residents of the Lone Star State; today, the group represents more than 1,100 fire departments, 80 industrial fire brigades, and 18,000 individual members; and

10 WHEREAS, Approximately 70 percent of the fire service of 11 Texas is made up of volunteer firefighters who have pledged to 12 protect the lives and property of their fellow citizens; on this 13 day, a ceremony at the Firemen's Monument located on the Capitol 14 grounds pays special tribute to four of these dedicated individuals 15 who lost their lives in the line of duty; and

16 WHEREAS, Through its certification program, the association 17 promotes training and education for its members, and it sponsors 18 and supports the world's largest fire training school each summer 19 at Texas A&M University; and

20 WHEREAS, Since its establishment, the SFFMA has worked 21 diligently to promote, unify, represent, and educate the fire 22 service of Texas, and its ongoing efforts to meet the needs of its 23 members are most deserving of special recognition; now, therefore, 24 be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas 2 Legislature hereby recognize the members of the State Firemen's and 3 Fire Marshals' Association of Texas and honor them for their 4 continuing work in behalf of the firefighters of the Lone Star 5 State; and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 7 prepared for the association as an expression of high regard by the 8 Texas House of Representatives.

McReynolds

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 939 was adopted by the House on March 21, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House