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H.R. No. 939

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The members of the State Firemen's and Fire
2 Marshals' Association of Texas are visiting the Capitol on March
3 21, 2007; and

4 WHEREAS, The oldest and largest fire service association in
5 Texas, this notable organization was founded in 1876, and for more
6 than 130 years its members have ably served the residents of the
7 Lone Star State; today, the group represents more than 1,100 fire
8 departments, 80 industrial fire brigades, and 18,000 individual
9 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

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.