

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 396

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas extends a warm welcome to the representatives of the soil and water conservation districts who are celebrating Texas Soil and Water Conservation District Day at the State Capitol; and

**WHEREAS**, The well-being of the citizens of this state depends upon the production of ample supplies of food, fiber, and other products from the soil; the quality and quantity of these products depends on the conservation and the wise use and proper management of the soil and other natural resources; and

**WHEREAS**, Soil and water conservation districts have been leading the way to voluntary conservation for more than 60 years; the districts provide a practical and democratic organization through which landowners can initiate the proper use and protection of our natural resources; private landowners are the state's original conservationists; and

**WHEREAS**, The 217 conservation districts in Texas, governed by locally elected boards of land owners, represent a grassroots network of more than 1,000 agricultural producers who are committed to conservation in Texas; the districts work with state and federal officials and agencies to ensure support for conservation programs; and

**WHEREAS**, The conservation districts annually work with more than 100,000 producers and cooperators in Texas to implement conservation practices and programs on private lands and to ensure landowners have the required resources to implement their conservation goals; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby honor those who protect our valuable resources of soil, water, and wildlife and recognize March 8, 2007, as Texas Soil and Water Conservation District Day at the State Capitol; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared as a memento of this special day.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 5, 2007.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate