SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 801

WHEREAS, National Crime Victims' Rights Week,

April 22 through 28, 2007, is an appropriate time for the

Texas Senate to recognize the members of the Lone Star Fugitive

Task Force in the Western District of Texas for their dedication

to their work and their effectiveness in bringing fugitives and

other criminals to justice; and

WHEREAS, The Lone Star Fugitive Task Force in the Western District of Texas was founded in May of 2005 and quickly jumped to the lead, surpassing all other district task forces in physical arrests and warrants cleared; in 2006, the task force led the nation with 4,236 physical arrests and with 5,094 warrants cleared, more than 1,000 higher in each category than the next highest district; the district has divisions in Alpine, Austin, Del Rio, El Paso, Midland, Pecos, San Antonio, and Waco; and

WHEREAS, The task force coordinates with other districts and law enforcement agencies and with the Mexican government when fugitives flee to the Texas-Mexico border and is leading the United States Marshals Service in effectiveness; the task force increased the number of partner agencies by 20 percent in 2006; and

WHEREAS, The task force has taken the lead in ensuring that those who harm children face justice; it has been active in the implementation of the Adam Walsh Act, and it hosted the pilot training program for the United States Marshals Service given by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children; the

training program focused on cyber-crime, child pornography, new investigative techniques in finding sexual predators, and the basic psychological understanding of both the predators and the victims; and

WHEREAS, The Lone Star Fugitive Task Force in the Western District of Texas is a model for other fugitive task forces across the country and is a vital member of the West Texas law enforcement community; its members deserve legislative recognition for their expertise, professionalism, and outstanding achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,

80th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the Lone Star Fugitive

Task Force in the Western District of Texas for its commitment to

order and justice and its exceptional accomplishments; and, be it

further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for this exemplary fugitive task force as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Wentworth

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate