

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 931

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Waterloo Records in Austin on the occasion of its 25th anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Waterloo Records was founded by Louis Karp on April 1, 1982, in a small building at 221 South Lamar Boulevard with a modest bank loan and an inventory supplemented by 6,000 records from his own collection; about the same time, John Kunz resigned from his job with a large chain store and began looking for a place to open a similar business; and

WHEREAS, Louis and John soon became partners; they soon earned renown and customer loyalty for their generous policy of letting customers listen to music before buying and allowing them to return merchandise for any reason and for attracting acts from around the world to Austin for in-store performances; and

WHEREAS, Waterloo Records became a popular Austin hangout that catered to the devout music fan and attracted a crowd as eclectic as its selection; it was the first store in Austin to carry compact discs and had expanded into the video rental business in 1985; John bought out his partner and became the sole owner in 1987, and he moved the store to its current location at Sixth Street and Lamar Boulevard in 1989; and

WHEREAS, Waterloo Records is an institution that was built on trust with a knowledgeable staff and an emphasis on customer service; it is both an Austin landmark and a reflection of the city's unique spirit and development; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby congratulate Waterloo Records on the memorable occasion of its 25th anniversary and extend to all best wishes for success in the future; and, be it further

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

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 30, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate