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H.R. No. 901

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Representatives from Texas State Technical College  
2 are visiting the State Capitol on March 24, 2009, and this occasion  
3 provides a fitting opportunity to honor this notable institution;  
4 and

5           WHEREAS, Established in 1965, the Texas State Technical  
6 College System today includes TSTC Harlingen, TSTC Marshall, TSTC  
7 Waco, and TSTC West Texas, which has campuses in Abilene,  
8 Breckenridge, Brownwood, and Sweetwater; TSTC is the only  
9 state-supported technical college system in Texas, and its mission  
10 is to help the Lone Star State meet the high-tech challenges of the  
11 current global economy; this coeducational, two-year institution  
12 partners with businesses, government agencies, and other colleges  
13 to provide its students with technical-vocational courses and  
14 training programs that meet the rising demands of Texas industry;  
15 and

16           WHEREAS, TSTC serves more than 15,000 students in credit  
17 programs alone, and it has an exemplary record of graduating  
18 students from diverse cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds; TSTC  
19 students come from 220 of the 254 counties in Texas, and many of  
20 them have lived in rural areas with limited access to other  
21 institutions of higher education or workforce training; in addition  
22 to offering high-quality instruction to these students, TSTC  
23 remains an affordable option for them, with its tuition at nearly a  
24 quarter of the average proprietary school fees; and

1           WHEREAS, The Texas State Technical College System is  
2 committed to helping its students become skilled leaders in  
3 tomorrow's workforce, and its efforts are contributing greatly to  
4 the educational and economic development of our state; now,  
5 therefore, be it

6           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
7 Legislature hereby recognize March 24, 2009, as Texas State  
8 Technical College Day at the State Capitol and extend to all those  
9 associated with the institution sincere best wishes for continued  
10 success; and, be it further

11           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
12 prepared for Texas State Technical College as an expression of high  
13 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.