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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Brazos Bend State Park Volunteer Organization is
2 marking its 20th anniversary in 2009; and

3 WHEREAS, Recognizing the significant contributions they
4 could make to their local state park, a group of dedicated men and
5 women formed the Brazos Bend State Park Volunteer Organization in
6 1989; the park now benefits greatly from the organization's Nature
7 Center Gift Shop and from grants and other donations to the group
8 that together generated more than \$450,000 in 2008 alone; and

9 WHEREAS, Members of the Brazos Bend State Park Volunteer
10 Organization, who attend intensive semiannual training, provided
11 nearly 20,000 hours of invaluable service last year; in addition to
12 staffing the Nature Center, they led interpretive programs,
13 conducted outreach events, and hosted on-site special events, and
14 they spend many hours of physical labor maintaining the facility
15 and trails, managing resources, and controlling vegetation; and

16 WHEREAS, For its exceptional work, the Brazos Bend State Park
17 Volunteer Organization was honored with the 2000 Texas Parks and
18 Wildlife Department's Lone Star Legends "Partnership" Award; and

19 WHEREAS, The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and citizens
20 of the Lone Star State are fortunate to have this hardworking and
21 committed group of individuals to serve as stewards and advocates
22 for Brazos Bend State Park; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
24 Legislature hereby commend all those associated with the Brazos

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1 Bend State Park Volunteer Organization for the many contributions
2 they have made to the park and extend to them congratulations on
3 their 20th anniversary celebration; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for the organization as an expression of high regard by the
6 Texas House of Representatives.