

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 3

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join citizens across the state in paying tribute to the men and women who volunteer to ensure the smooth functioning of the electoral process on the occasion of Volunteers for Democracy Day, which is being celebrated on January 13, 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, The orderly and graceful transfer of power that characterizes the American electoral system is a model for the nations of the world to emulate, and the system's reliability and integrity are largely secured through the efforts of election volunteers; and

**WHEREAS**, The precinct chairs, election judges, and other volunteers who guide and support our elections serve our state and nation with honor, passion, and patriotism as they strive to ensure that the ideals expressed in our founding documents continue to be upheld and advanced; and

**WHEREAS**, Volunteers for Democracy Day was established by the 80th Texas Legislature to acknowledge the contributions of these men and women; the second Tuesday in January of each year has been set aside to honor their outstanding efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, It is truly fitting that all Texans acknowledge the contributions of these men and women whose singular efforts play such a large role in our electoral process; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby honor the election volunteers whose dedication helps to make our electoral process run smoothly and extend to them sincere gratitude for their hard work and commitment on Volunteers for Democracy Day; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared to commemorate this special day.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 13, 2009.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate