

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 254

WHEREAS, The Student Government Association and the Alumni Association of Stephen F. Austin State University are visiting the State Capitol on February 18, 2009, and this noteworthy occasion provides a fitting opportunity to honor these commendable organizations and commemorate the 85th anniversary of Stephen F. Austin State University; and

WHEREAS, Stephen F. Austin State University welcomed its first class of students on September 18, 1923--the birthday of its first president, Dr. Alton W. Birdwell--and since that day has proudly produced more than 100,000 graduates through its six academic college divisions; and

WHEREAS, Stephen F. Austin State University, with approximately 12,000 students, offers the breadth of a state university education with the personal attention of a private university through more than 80 undergraduate majors, 120 areas of study, nearly 60 graduate degrees, and two doctoral programs; and

WHEREAS, Serving as the voice of the student body, the Student Government Association is an effective conduit through which students express concerns and make suggestions to university administration; it also regularly passes legislation to improve the quality of student life at the university; and

WHEREAS, The Stephen F. Austin State University Alumni Association serves as the voice for more than 100,000 graduates and is dedicated to serving the alumni, friends, and current students of the university through programs, scholarships, and activities that create an attitude of continued loyalty and support; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby recognize February 18, 2009, as Stephen F. Austin State University, SFA Student Government Association, and SFA Alumni Association Day and extend to the organizations' members sincere best wishes for success and happiness in their future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Stephen F. Austin State University and the Student Government Association and the Alumni Association of Stephen F. Austin State University as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 18, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate