

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 357

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize DeVry University for its outstanding contributions to higher education and to declare March 3, 2009, as DeVry Day in Texas; and

WHEREAS, DeVry University is a leading provider of higher education and one of the largest degree-granting higher education systems in North America; and

WHEREAS, Founded in Illinois in 1931 and established in Texas in 1969, DeVry University has graduated more than 235,000 undergraduate students nationwide since 1975; and

WHEREAS, DeVry University has responded to the growing marketplace demand for graduates with associate's, bachelor's, and master's degrees in the fields of business, technology, management, and health care technology; and

WHEREAS, DeVry University's mission is to foster student learning through high-quality, career-oriented education integrating technology, business, and management; and

WHEREAS, DeVry University achieves this mission by using a curriculum that is developed, tested, and continually improved upon by faculty and administrators through regular assessment and external consultation with business leaders and other educators; and

WHEREAS, DeVry University prepares graduates for careers in high-demand fields and works with business and industry leaders to align the curriculum with current and emerging workplace trends; and

WHEREAS, DeVry University seeks to democratize education and serves a diverse array of students, including working adults with family commitments, recent high school graduates, first-time, first-generation students, and current professionals interested in taking their career to the next level; and

WHEREAS, DeVry University provides an interactive and collaborative educational environment that strengthens learning, provides credentialing opportunities, and contributes to lifelong educational and professional growth; and

WHEREAS, DeVry University is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and offers flexible year-round online or onsite course scheduling, including days, nights, and weekends, to best suit student needs; and

WHEREAS, Nationwide since 1975, 90 percent of DeVry University graduates active in the job market are employed within six months of graduation; and

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WHEREAS, DeVry University currently enrolls more than 62,000 students nationwide at one of 92 locations and online; more than 4,000 of these students are Texas residents; and

WHEREAS, DeVry University is committed to making the United States a competitive leader in science and technology and strongly supports the State of Texas in *Closing the Gaps by 2015*; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby proclaim March 3, 2009, as DeVry Day in the State of Texas.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 3, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate