

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 500

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Mental Health Mental Retardation Authority of Brazos Valley on the occasion of its 35th anniversary, on March 26, 2009; and

WHEREAS, When the authority was established in 1974, it was a small organization with 15 employees; today, it functions with an operating budget of \$12 million and has 240 employees in 14 service locations; and

WHEREAS, The authority has established field offices in Brazos, Burleson, Grimes, Leon, Madison, Robertson, and Washington Counties; it provides care for citizens with mental illness, intellectual and developmental disabilities, and developmental delays; and

WHEREAS, The authority's many services and programs in the seven-county Brazos Valley area include Intake Services, Crisis Services, Child and Adolescent Services, Rehabilitative Case Management Services, Volunteer Services, and Day Habilitation Services; it offers an Early Childhood Intervention Program and a Community Living Options Program and maintains an Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded, a community-based residential facility; and

WHEREAS, The Mental Health Mental Retardation Authority of Brazos Valley offers valuable and much-needed services to a wide range of clients, and its employees are dedicated to helping all citizens with mental disabilities reach their highest potential; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend the Mental Health Mental Retardation Authority of Brazos Valley for its many years of outstanding service and extend congratulations to all associated with the organization on the occasion of its 35th anniversary; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of the Mental Health Mental Retardation Authority of Brazos Valley.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 23, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate