## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 503

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Terence H. Fontaine for his many contributions to his profession, his community, and his church; and

WHEREAS, A native Houstonian, Mr. Fontaine graduated from Bellaire High School in 1978; after graduation, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, where he served the nation at home and abroad in aviation operations; and

WHEREAS, Upon his honorable discharge from military service, Mr. Fontaine put his experience to use, embarking on a distinguished career in the field of aviation; he became an important member of the staff of Continental Airlines, helping it achieve the highest headstart performance rating in company history and earning the highest rating an airline pilot can receive; and

WHEREAS, In 2004, Mr. Fontaine was named deputy chief of staff to Mayor Bill White, where he was instrumental in implementing numerous cost-saving strategies; following the devastation of Hurricane Katrina, his leadership of the recovery efforts at the George R. Brown Convention Center led to national recognition for its positive impact on the lives of more than 28,000 evacuees; and

WHEREAS, A devout Christian who practices his faith in his daily life, Mr. Fontaine is a member of the Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church, where he recently achieved the signal honor of ordination as a deacon; now, therefore, be it

ordination as a deacon; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend Terence H. Fontaine on his years of service to his community and extend to him best wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors; and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem 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 March 23, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate