SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1119

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is extremely proud to honor the employees of the Central Staff offices for their excellent work during the 81st Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, The hallmark of the Central Staff is its deep loyalty to the Senate; Central Staff employees have consistently distinguished themselves through their knowledge, their professionalism, their dedication to public service, and, above all, their extraordinary teamwork; and

WHEREAS, The different departments work together around the clock to get the job done, be it the publication of the daily Senate Journal, the marathon proofing sessions of bills and resolutions, the overnight production of bills and bill analyses, or the printing of conference committee reports to meet end-of-session deadlines; and

WHEREAS, The staffers always rise to the occasion, skillfully executing mentally and sometimes physically demanding tasks in a way that looks effortless from the outside; both the longtime employees, who provide their invaluable institutional knowledge, and the new staffers, interns, and temporary employees, who bring their enthusiasm and different viewpoints, maintain a high regard for one another while working together toward a common purpose; and

WHEREAS, Despite the unforgiving deadlines of the legislative session, the staffers undertake their duties with pride and attention to detail; many staffers are required to be present on the floor whenever the Senate is in session, no matter how long that may be; after the Senate adjourns each day, the work of the staff continues, and late nights often last into the early morning of the following day; and

WHEREAS, Through the long hours they work during a session, staffers maintain their high spirits; the many people who work quietly behind the scenes to enable the Senate to carry out its constitutional duties include those in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate, the Auditor's Office, the Calendar Clerk's Office, the Engrossing and Enrolling Department, the Human Resources Department, the Senate Journal Office, the Media Services Department, the Payroll Department, the Post Office, the Publications and Printing Office, the Purchasing and Supply Department, the Senate Research Center, the Sergeant-at-Arms Office, the Staff Services Office, and the Support Services Office; and

WHEREAS, Though often the workloads seem impossible, the Central Staff of the Texas Senate always rises to the challenge, exceeds expectations, and achieves excellent results; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend the Central Staff of the Texas Senate for their outstanding service to the Senate and the State of Texas and extend a sincere thank you to all the members of the staff for their hard work and dedication.

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Duncan	Jackson	Van de Putte
Ellis	Lucio	Watson
Eltife	Nelson	Wentworth
Estes	Nichols	West
Fraser	Ogden	Whitmire
Gallegos	Patrick	Zaffirini

Dewhurst, President of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 1, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate