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R E S O L U T I O N

1   WHEREAS, The Texas Association of Public Employee Retirement
2 Systems is holding its 22nd Annual Conference in Austin, March 27
3 through 30, 2011, and the event provides a welcome opportunity to
4 honor this notable organization; and
5   WHEREAS, Founded in 1989, TEXPERS is a voluntary statewide
6 organization focused on the goals of protecting public employee
7 retirement systems in Texas as well as promoting quality management
8 by providing members with outstanding educational programs; and
9   WHEREAS, Since it was chartered, this nonprofit association
10 has provided forums for discussing state and national legislative
11 issues that affect Texas pension systems; it has also supplied
12 important information on retirement system administration, benefit
13 design, and federal programs relating to public pensions; and
14   WHEREAS, TEXPERS has assumed the task of improving the
15 management and administration of retirement systems through the
16 creation of certified training for trustees; moreover, it is
17 dedicated to helping ensure the actuarial integrity of systems and
18 to addressing other urgent concerns; and
19   WHEREAS, This organization has grown extensively over the
20 past 22 years; currently, its members are public retirement systems
21 that represent more than 300,000 active and retired public
22 employees, including police officers, firefighters, and employees
23 of utility districts, transit systems, hospital districts,
24 appraisal districts, and river authorities from all areas of the

1 state; and

2   WHEREAS, Firms that provide professional services to public

3 pension funds belong to TEXPERS as associate members; these include

4 actuarial, consulting, and law firms and banks and investment

5 management companies; and

6   WHEREAS, As part of its annual conference, the association

7 offers training for trustees and administrators, opportunities for

8 communication between the diverse parties interested in public

9 retirement plans, and information needed to protect the rights of

10 public pension systems and the employees they cover, and the

11 association is to be commended for the vital role it plays in

12 promoting the sound condition of these public funds; now,

13 therefore, be it

14   RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas

15 Legislature hereby recognize the many individuals affiliated with

16 the Texas Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems and

17 extend to them sincere best wishes for a successful gathering at the

18 22nd Annual Conference; and, be it further

19   RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

20 prepared for the association as an expression of high regard by the

21 Texas House of Representatives.