SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 697

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Brenda S. Kalapach, who is retiring from the Texas Department of Transportation on March 31, 2011, after 35 years of outstanding service to the state; and

WHEREAS, An honors graduate of The University of Texas at Austin, Brenda Kalapach began her career in state service with the Texas Department of Agriculture; she served with the Texas Energy Advisory Council and the Texas Transportation Institute before joining the Texas Department of Transportation in 1981; and

WHEREAS, Throughout her career, she has been noted for her superior skills and expertise; she provided direction and leadership for the development of numerous traffic analysis software programs that helped the department ensure a safer environment for the traveling public; and

WHEREAS, Talented and resourceful, she has handled her responsibilities with exceptional efficiency and manv dedication; she has played a vital role in the department's Technology Services Division, where she oversaw the development and implementation of the department's data architecture and configuration management tools; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary public servant, she is respected and admired by her colleagues, and her presence at the Texas Department of Transportation will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Brenda S. Kalapach on her exceptional service to the people of Texas as an employee of the Texas Department of Transportation and extend to her best wishes for the retirement years ahead; and, be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for

her as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 4, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate