

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 734

**WHEREAS,** The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the City of Converse on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and

**WHEREAS,** The City of Converse was incorporated on March 25, 1961, and soon held elections to name the city's first officials; Ed J. Kneupper was elected mayor and Willard Janssen was elected town marshal; aldermen were H. R. Voges, E. M. Schertz, Joseph J. Staudt, Edward Zimmerman, and Milton Schumann; and

**WHEREAS,** Recognizing the need for recreational opportunities for city residents, leaders built an exceptional city park, which in 1975 added a swimming pool; and

**WHEREAS,** Area citizens have long understood the importance of education and have worked to prioritize their children's academic development, beginning with the 1864 construction of a school by Theo L. Stapper and his neighbors; through the years, local residents have continued that commitment, and today, the Judson Independent School District provides exceptional opportunities for area students; and

**WHEREAS,** Converse residents have played an important role in the history of our country; scientist Hans Georg Clamann was instrumental in developing the medical and physiological foundations of manned space flight in the early days of the nation's space program; and

**WHEREAS,** As they celebrate the 50th anniversary of their city's incorporation, the people of Converse look forward to a bright future while continuing to embrace their rich and colorful past; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend the citizens of Converse for their many contributions to our state and extend to them best wishes for a memorable 50th anniversary celebration; and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the city 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 April 7, 2011.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate