SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 764

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Del Mar College in Corpus Christi on the momentous occasion of its 75th anniversary, which is being celebrated throughout the 2010-2011 academic year; and

WHEREAS, The 75th anniversary of this outstanding institution is an ideal opportunity to recognize the many contributions Del Mar College has made to the Coastal Bend communities; it offers affordable, high-quality postsecondary education to some 500,000 residents in the area; and

WHEREAS, Del Mar College employs more than 1,100 dedicated faculty and staff members and provides a variety of programs that prepare students for high-demand careers in health care, business, technology, and industry, and its academic credits are transferable to baccalaureate programs across the nation; and

WHEREAS, In celebration of its 75th anniversary, Del Mar College awarded its 750,000th student a scholarship package for the spring semester; 75 former students are being recognized with the Del Mar College Alumni Association's Distinguished Alumni Award, and the college is holding its signature event, the South Texas Round-Up, to further celebrate this milestone; the fine arts programs are staging numerous special events, and the college is also bringing the kick-off of the state's official Texas Jazz Festival back to the East Campus, where the annual event originated 50 years ago; and

WHEREAS, The college has accepted a donor challenge to raise funds to match a \$1 million pledge for scholarships during this anniversary year, and it is preparing a time capsule to be opened during the college's 100th anniversary celebration in 2036; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby extend congratulations to all associated with Del Mar College on the occasion of the college's 75th anniversary; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared to commemorate this special occasion.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 13, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate