

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 890

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Six Flags Over Texas on the occasion of its 50th anniversary, which is being celebrated this year; and

WHEREAS, Six Flags Over Texas opened on August 5, 1961, to a crowd that exceeded attendance expectations; it was founded by Angus G. Wynne, of the Great Southwest Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Six Flags Over Texas was named for the six governments that have ruled the state: Spain, France, Mexico, the Republic of Texas, the Confederate States of America, and the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, Since its opening, the amusement park has been so successful that the number of guests has been tallied at 100 million; the park is a model for the entire park industry and has been called the Entertainment Capital of Texas; it has a collection of 13 roller coasters, more than any other theme park in the South; and

WHEREAS, Six Flags Over Texas is one of the top five employers in Arlington; it annually employs 3,500 part-time and seasonal employees, and it contributes significantly to the economy of the region; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby extend congratulations and best wishes to all who are associated with Six Flags Over Texas on the park's 50th anniversary; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of Six Flags Over Texas.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 2, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate