SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1145

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the completion of the first documentary film made about the life of Sam Houston; and

WHEREAS, The documentary chronicles his life from his birth in Virginia through his death in Texas; it was written by Sam Houston's biographer, James L. Halev: and

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WHEREAS, The film includes nearly 300 restored archival images and historical documents, as well as original artwork that was commissioned specifically for the project; the filmmakers interviewed numerous prominent subject matter experts to gather material for the project; and

WHEREAS, The documentary was filmed at 29 locations in Virginia, Tennessee, and Texas, at sites where the events being portrayed actually took place; over 200 reenactors participated in the project, and the film includes many newly discovered images and the only existing images of Sam and Margaret Houston together; and

WHEREAS, The project includes a massive website, which has been described by Dr. Patrick Nolan, director of the Sam Houston Memorial Museum, as the largest collection of digital information about Sam Houston that has ever been assembled; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby extend congratulations to all who participated in the creation of this unique and historically valuable documentary on the life of Sam Houston; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this exceptional project.

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I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 24, 2011.

President of the Senate

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate