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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The State Preservation Board is celebrating, in
2013, 30 years of service to the people of Texas; and

3 WHEREAS, The 68th Legislature established the board in 1983 after a fire that February that nearly claimed the entire Capitol; 4 5 the new board was originally tasked with restoring and conserving the Capitol and the 1857 General Land Office building and their 6 7 contents and grounds, responsibilities that had previously been spread across several entities with little coordination; following 8 9 the development of a comprehensive plan under the board's direction, the legislature appropriated funds in 1989 to carry out 10 11 the Capitol Extension Project, which was completed in 1993, the Capitol Restoration and Preservation Project, completed in 1995, 12 and the Capitol Grounds Restoration Project, completed in 1997; in 13 14 addition, the State Preservation Board coordinated a private fund-raising effort in order to restore and acquire historical 15 16 furnishings and artwork for the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Together with its ongoing responsibility for the 17 physical fabric of the Capitol, the Capitol Extension, and the 1857 18 General Land Office building, as well as for the surrounding 19 20 grounds, the board has also assumed responsibility for maintaining 21 the Governor's Mansion and grounds, for managing the Capitol 22 Information and Guide Service and the Capitol Visitors Center, and 23 for developing, constructing, and operating the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum; and 24

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1 WHEREAS, For three decades, the State Preservation Board has 2 worked diligently to preserve and promote the rich history of the 3 Lone Star State for the benefit of Texans and visitors alike, and it 4 is indeed deserving of recognition for its outstanding 5 achievements; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas 7 Legislature hereby commemorate the 30th anniversary of the 8 establishment of the State Preservation Board; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 10 prepared for the board as an expression of high regard by the Texas 11 House of Representatives.