## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 811

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Embassy of the Republic of Angola and the Consulate General of Angola in Houston and join in the celebration of the 20th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Angola and the United States; and

WHEREAS, On May 19, 1993, United States President Bill Clinton officially recognized the government of Angola, and the milestone marked a diplomatic turning point for the two nations; and

WHEREAS, On the occasion of this anniversary, honored officials from Angola and the United States are gathering for a business symposium that is being held in Houston on May 8, 2013, to highlight investment opportunities between the two countries; the gathering focuses on ways in which they may diversify their trade agreements; and

WHEREAS, This conclave between diplomatic allies underscores the many common interests shared by the United States and the Republic of Angola, which range from business opportunities to cultural exchanges; and

WHEREAS, It is indeed with great pleasure and pride that the State of Texas welcomes this gathering of dignitaries and celebrates the opportunity to strengthen the bonds between our nations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby welcome the honorable delegates from Angola to the city of Houston on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the United States and Angola; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this event as an expression of high regard 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 May 2, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate