By: King of Uvalde H.R. No. 3039

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board is

celebrating the 75th anniversary of its founding in 2015; and

3 WHEREAS, The Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board

4 was established by the Texas Legislature in 1939 in order to address

5 the agricultural practices and problems of wind and water erosion

6 that led to the Dust Bowl devastation of Texas and the Great Plains

7 in the 1930s; and

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8 WHEREAS, This landmark legislation called for the creation of

9 soil and water conservation districts; the initiative was designed

10 to be controlled by farmers and ranchers on a voluntary basis and to

11 implement measures that best suited the specific needs of

12 individual landowners; and

WHEREAS, Today, the board administers a number of key

14 programs that provide technical and financial assistance to

15 landowners and land managers; among the results of these efforts

16 are enhanced soil resources, more sustainable agriculture,

17 improved water quality, and higher-quality wildlife habitat; and

18 WHEREAS, The Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board

19 has had a profound impact on the preservation and protection of our

20 state's natural resources, and it is truly deserving of special

21 recognition for its exceptional work; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas

23 Legislature hereby commemorate the 75th anniversary of the founding

24 of the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board and extend to

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- 1 its management and staff best wishes for continued success with
- 2 their important work; and, be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 4 prepared for the board as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 5 House of Representatives.