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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The year 2017 marks the 60th anniversary of the
2 creation of the Texas Water Development Board; and

3 WHEREAS, In response to a devastating drought that struck
4 Texas in the mid-1950s, state voters approved a constitutional
5 amendment that established the board in 1957; the landmark
6 legislation allowed the issuance and sale of bonds to help
7 subsidize the development of surface-water supply projects, and
8 TWDB was tasked with administering the fund; and

9 WHEREAS, Over the decades, the board has granted
10 approximately \$23 billion in financial assistance to Texas
11 communities and overseen the development of nine state water plans;
12 today, it also collects and disseminates surface and underground
13 water data, including project water availability, environmental
14 impact, and water uses for both agricultural and municipal areas,
15 and it provides technical services and sponsors educational
16 programs on conservation; and

17 WHEREAS, Since its inception, TWDB has been instrumental not
18 only in facilitating the responsible development, management, and
19 conservation of our state's natural resources but also in
20 maintaining public health and economic growth in the Lone Star
21 State, and this milestone year provides a fitting opportunity to
22 recognize the agency's exceptional work; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
24 Legislature hereby commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Texas

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1 Water Development Board and extend to all those associated with the
2 agency sincere best wishes for the future; 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.