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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Texans and visitors from across the nation benefit
2 greatly from the dedicated efforts of the employees of the State
3 Preservation Board; and

4 WHEREAS, This vital state agency is responsible for the
5 preservation and maintenance of the historic buildings in the
6 Capitol Complex, and it approves all construction, repair, and
7 renovation work; the agency also provides educational and
8 curatorial services, operates the Capitol Visitors Center and gift
9 shops, offers guided tours to the public, schedules and manages
10 public events, and operates the visitors parking garage; and

11 WHEREAS, Executive director Rod Welsh oversees the State
12 Preservation Board with the able assistance of the executive staff,
13 David L. Byers, Bob Cash, Erin Christensen, Linda L. Gaby, Dale G.
14 Hernandez, Alice B. James, Cynthia Provine, and Ann M. Vay, as well
15 as the skilled members of the finance and accounting department,
16 Lindsey A. Alvarado, Barbara Hanus, Angela Knoll, Deanna L. Wall,
17 and Monica H. Young; the agency's work further benefits from the
18 support of its administrative personnel, Virginia Benavidez,
19 Robert M. Davis, Jane A. Falkenberg, Patricia G. Hernandez-Ruiz,
20 Leslie Pawelka, Rachel S. Ramirez, Valerie Rockwell, and Helen
21 Sumers, as well as IT staff members Andre Bygrave and Rosemary
22 Rodriguez; and

23 WHEREAS, The curatorial staff consists of Richard T.
24 Eisenhour, Paige A. Hester, and Michelle Lambing; educational tours

1 are offered by Leslie Covington, Marilena Crouchet, Suzanna Ewert,
2 Analise Garcia, Timothy Hood, William Kelly, Nancy Korzilius, Sarah
3 Ledoux, Amanda Magera, Cat McGrath-Farmer, Justin "Zack" Odom,
4 William Padgett, Margie Paz, Katia Peacher, James "Richard" Poland,
5 Suzette Rahmann, Karen Rohe, Katharine Shirley, Mary Grace
6 Stanford, Comfort K. Tysen, Katheryn Wells, Amy Wolfgang, Derrick
7 Wright, Jayme Zigler, Georgia Zunker, and Nicholas A. Edwards; and

8 WHEREAS, Members of the public are welcomed every day to the
9 Capitol and the Visitors Center by staffers Eric A. Boedy,
10 Elizabeth Garzone, Leigh Gershman, Idali Reyes, Amy Russell,
11 Kandace D. Russell, R. Kyle Schlafer, Kyle Walker, and Jenna
12 Archuletta, and the retail staff includes Sheryl D. Baker, Michael
13 J. Dillon, and Carolyn Rzeppa; other essential members of the SPB
14 team are Angela Carver, Edna Gamboa, Nancy Hennessy, and Angelia
15 Rios Hennigan in the Capitol Visitors Center gift shop, Misha Karen
16 Buckman, Ingrid Earls, Thomas Farley, Gina Filipponi, Joe Lung,
17 Mikki Pasasadaba, and Jack Whalen in the Capitol Extension gift
18 shop, Michael Coronado, Elizabeth A. Deutchman, and Karen N.
19 Griffin at the retail warehouse, and Irene G. Arispe,
20 Christopher B. Currens, Gladys Howard, Maria Martinez, Edward
21 "Luke" McNicholas, John Stephen Morrow, and Amanda Remillard at the
22 visitors parking garage; and

23 WHEREAS, The outstanding employees who are responsible for
24 the care and maintenance of the landmark buildings and monuments
25 are Steven E. Aguirre, Kevin M. Koch, Mark Lindsey, Joe Medina,
26 Araceli Ripper, and Douglas R. Young of facilities management, Eric
27 Avery, Tommy Bailey, Roberto Carlos Benavides, Peter Castilleja,

1 Delbert "Audey" Friar, Jacob Gould, Ricky L. Grimes, William Hoes,
2 William Kleinebecker, Terry L. Pyle, Lawrence R. Starkes, Robert
3 "Eric" Tamayo, Vincent Tamayo, Norman Taylor, Gregory V. Taylor,
4 Alejandro "Alex" Villalobos, and William M. Wilson of the
5 maintenance crew, Betty Benavides, Laura G. Cuellar, Crisostoma
6 Espino-Recendiz, Arturo Lopez Estrada, Eliceo Hernandez, Diane M.
7 Magallanez, Rafaela Mila, Chinh C. Nguyen, Aida Robles, Eric
8 Rodriguez, Maria Rodriguez, and Flora E. Torres of the housekeeping
9 team, and Brian Abercrombie, Antonio Delgado, Jeffery "Brent"
10 Dickerson, and Hector N. Medrano of the groundskeeping staff; and

11 WHEREAS, Through their dedicated stewardship of a rich
12 legacy, the administrators and employees of the State Preservation
13 Board are rendering a vital service to the people of Texas and
14 introducing countless visitors to the remarkable story of the Lone
15 Star State; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
17 Legislature hereby commend the staff of the State Preservation
18 Board for their exemplary service; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
20 prepared for the State Preservation Board as an expression of high
21 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.