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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Texas Association of Public Employee Retirement
- 2 Systems is a nonprofit association focused on the goals of
- 3 protecting public employee retirement systems in Texas and
- 4 promoting quality management of the systems by providing members
- 5 with outstanding educational programs; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Since it was chartered, TEXPERS has provided forums
- 7 for discussing state and national legislative issues that affect
- 8 Texas pension systems; it has also supplied important information
- 9 on retirement system administration, benefit design, and federal
- 10 programs relating to public pensions; and
- 11 WHEREAS, TEXPERS has assumed the task of improving the
- 12 management and administration of retirement systems through the
- 13 creation of certified training for trustees; moreover, it is
- 14 dedicated to helping ensure the actuarial integrity of systems and
- 15 to addressing other important concerns; and
- 16 WHEREAS, This voluntary statewide organization has grown
- 17 extensively over the past 28 years; currently, its members are
- 18 public retirement systems that represent nearly 350,000 active and
- 19 retired public employees, including police officers, firefighters,
- 20 and employees of municipalities, utility districts, transit
- 21 systems, hospital districts, appraisal districts, and port and
- 22 river authorities from all areas of the state; and
- WHEREAS, Firms that provide professional services to public
- 24 pension funds belong to TEXPERS as associate members; these include

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- 1 actuarial, consulting, and law firms and banks and investment
- 2 management companies; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Through its annual conference, which in 2017 was
- 4 held in Austin on April 9-12, TEXPERS offers training for trustees
- 5 and administrators, opportunities for communication among the
- 6 diverse parties interested in public retirement plans, and
- 7 information critical to the protection of public pension systems
- 8 and the employees they cover; and
- 9 WHEREAS, TEXPERS has an outstanding record of achievements,
- 10 and it is to be commended for the crucial role it plays in promoting
- 11 the sound condition of vital public funds; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
- 13 Legislature hereby recognize the Texas Association of Public
- 14 Employee Retirement Systems and extend to its members sincere best
- 15 wishes for the future; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 17 prepared for the association as an expression of high regard by the
- 18 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2654 was adopted by the House on May 28, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House