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R E S O L U T I O N

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

23           WHEREAS, Firms that provide professional services to public  
24 pension funds belong to TEXPERS as associate members; these include

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

12 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

16 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.