

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 78

WHEREAS, Proud members of the Southwest Movers Association of Texas are gathering in Austin on January 31, 2017, for their Moving/Trucking Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, The Southwest Movers Association is also marking a special milestone in 2017, as it celebrates its 100th year representing the household goods industry in Texas; and

WHEREAS, The Southwest Movers Association was originally founded as the Texas Warehouse and Transfermen's Association at a meeting held in Fort Worth in August 1917; the meeting was organized by S. J. Westheimer of Houston, who went on to serve as the organization's first president; and

WHEREAS, In 1934, the group became known as the Southwest Warehouse and Transfer Association to reflect its expansion to the surrounding states of Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and New Mexico, and its regional responsibilities continued until 2001, when Texas again became its sole focus; in 1978, the association's offices were moved from Dallas to Austin, and its name was changed to the Southwest Movers Association in 1995; and

WHEREAS, Although state and federal laws have evolved with the passing years, the protection of the consumer public, through licensing and insurance regulations, has been and continues to be a core part of the association's mission; and

WHEREAS, Over the past 100 years, the Southwest Movers Association has worked diligently to promote and support the moving industry while safeguarding the needs of the customers it serves, and its members may indeed take great satisfaction in the organization's dedicated efforts and many notable achievements; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby recognize January 31, 2017, as Moving/Trucking Day at the State Capitol and congratulate the Southwest Movers Association on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the association as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 31, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate