SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 721

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Texas Water Development Board on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of its creation; and

WHEREAS, In response to the state's devastating drought of the 1950s, the Texas Water Development Board was created by a legislative act and a constitutional amendment approved by Texas voters in 1957; and

WHEREAS, This landmark legislation provided for the issuance and sale of bonds to provide financial assistance for the conservation and development of the state's water resources and created an agency to administer the fund; and

WHEREAS, Today, the Texas Water Development Board provides water planning, data collection and dissemination, financial assistance, and technical assistance services to the citizens of Texas; these services help maintain the viability of the state's natural resources, health, and economic development; and

WHEREAS, By providing approximately \$23 billion in financial assistance to Texas communities and overseeing the development of nine state water plans over the course of its history, the Texas Water Development Board has facilitated the orderly and responsible development, management, and conservation of the state's water resources, and the board is truly deserving of special recognition for this exceptional work; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the Texas Water Development Board on the occasion of its 60th anniversary and extend to its board members, management, and staff best wishes for continued success with their important work; and, be it further

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

Perry

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 10, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate