SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 902

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Texas Senate District 29 Environmental Advisory Committee, which is hosting the first annual Water Resources and Conservation Symposium on July 14, 2017; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Senate District 29 Environmental Advisory Committee is chaired by Karl Rimkus, the environmental compliance program manager for the City of El Paso's Environmental Services Department; and

WHEREAS, Inspired by the work of Dr. Bill Hargrove and Josiah Heyman, researchers at The University of Texas at El Paso, the committee organized the symposium with the goal of encouraging students to pursue careers related to water management; the symposium will provide students opportunities to network with industry, academic, and public administration professionals; and

WHEREAS, El Paso has been a national and international leader in developing strategies to ensure the availability of clean, affordable water; the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas was created to address this important subject, and it has received widespread public support; and

WHEREAS, Managing, conserving, and developing water resources are top issues in the southwestern area of the United States, and it is truly fitting that the Water Resources and Conservation Symposium receive special recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend the Texas Senate District 29 Environmental Advisory Committee and its chair, Karl Rimkus, on their work in organizing the Water Resources and Conservation Symposium and extend to all best wishes for a successful event; and, be it further

 $\tt RESOLVED$, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the committee as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Rodríguez

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 26, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate