

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the transfer of certain real property held by the  
3 Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas and the transfer  
4 of jurisdiction over and management of the Star of the Republic  
5 Museum to the Texas Historical Commission.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

7 ARTICLE 1. TRANSFER OF CERTAIN PROPERTY OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
8 SAFETY

9 SECTION 1.001. (a) As soon as practicable after the  
10 effective date of this Act, the Department of Public Safety of the  
11 State of Texas shall transfer to Child Advocates of Fort Bend the  
12 real property described by Section 1.002 of this Act.

13 (b) Child Advocates of Fort Bend shall use the property  
14 transferred under this Act only for a purpose that benefits the  
15 public interest of the state. If Child Advocates of Fort Bend uses  
16 the property for any purpose other than a purpose that benefits the  
17 public interest of the state, ownership of the property  
18 automatically reverts to the Department of Public Safety of the  
19 State of Texas.

20 (c) The Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas  
21 shall transfer the property by an appropriate instrument of  
22 transfer. The instrument of transfer must provide that:

23 (1) Child Advocates of Fort Bend use the property only  
24 for a purpose that benefits the public interest of the state; and

1           (2) ownership of the property will automatically  
2 revert to the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas if  
3 Child Advocates of Fort Bend uses the property for any purpose other  
4 than a purpose that benefits the public interest of the state.

5           (d) The Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas  
6 shall retain custody of the instrument of transfer after the  
7 instrument of transfer is filed in the real property records of Fort  
8 Bend County.

9           SECTION 1.002. The real property referred to in Section  
10 1.001 of this Act is described as follows:

11           A 0.3294-acre tract of land in the James Lowery 1/3-League,  
12 Abstract Number 275, Fort Bend County, Texas, located in the City of  
13 Rosenberg, being a portion of that 1.7974-acre tract of land  
14 conveyed to Texas Department of Public Safety, described in a  
15 warranty deed recorded in Volume 758, Page 744 of the Official  
16 Public Records of Fort Bend County, Texas, said 0.3294-acre tract  
17 being further described by metes and bounds as follows:

18           BEGINNING at a 1/2-inch iron rod with a plastic cap marked  
19 "PSC RPLS 6453" set in the occupied north right-of-way line of  
20 Avenue "N" and the south line of said 1.7974-acre tract for the  
21 southeast corner of this tract, said beginning point having  
22 coordinates of NORTHING: 13,760,038.29 and EASTING: 2,994,593.07,  
23 Texas Coordinate System, South Central Zone 4204, North American  
24 Datum of 1983, whence a 5/8-inch iron rod found at the original  
25 southeast corner of said 1.7974-acre tract bears South 67 degrees  
26 49 minutes 56 seconds East a distance of 392.36 feet and the  
27 southeast corner of said James Lowery 1/3-League bears South 67

1 degrees 49 minutes 56 seconds East a distance of 442.36 feet and  
2 South 22 degrees 26 minutes 23 seconds West a distance of 798.9  
3 feet, per calls in previous deeds and plats;

4           (1) THENCE North 67 degrees 49 minutes 56 seconds  
5 West, along the north right-of-way line of said Avenue "N", a  
6 distance of 32.11 feet to a point in a utility pole at the southwest  
7 corner of said 1.7974-acre tract and the southeast corner of a  
8 2.500-acre tract conveyed to Fort Bend County Child Advocates,  
9 Inc., described in a special warranty deed with vendor's lien  
10 recorded in County Clerk's File Number 2006021668 of the Official  
11 Public Records of Fort Bend County, Texas, for the southwest corner  
12 of this tract, whence a 5/8-inch iron rod with a plastic cap marked  
13 "TERRA SURVEYING" bears South 05 degrees 24 minutes 22 seconds East  
14 a distance of 0.19 feet and an "X" cut on concrete found at the  
15 southwest corner of said 2.500-acre tract bears North 67 degrees 49  
16 minutes 56 seconds West a distance of 279.56 feet;

17           (2) THENCE North 22 degrees 11 minutes 18 seconds  
18 East, along the east line of said 2.500-acre tract, a distance of  
19 185.85 feet to a 5/8-inch iron rod found at the northeast corner of  
20 said 1.7974-acre tract and the southwest corner of Unrestricted  
21 Reserve "B", Terra Flora, a subdivision of the James Lowery  
22 1/3-League, according to the map, plat and/or dedication deed  
23 thereof recorded in Slide 517/B and Volume 32, Page 6 of the Plat  
24 Records of Fort Bend County, Texas, for the northwest corner of this  
25 tract, said point having coordinates of NORTHING: 13,760,222.47 and  
26 EASTING: 2,994,633.52, Texas Coordinate System, South Central Zone  
27 4204, North American Datum of 1983, whence a 5/8-inch iron rod bears

1 North 22 degrees 11 minutes 18 seconds East a distance of 202.64  
2 feet;

3           (3) THENCE South 67 degrees 39 minutes 44 seconds  
4 East, along the common line of said Unrestricted Reserve "B" and  
5 said 1.7974-acre tract, a distance of 145.05 feet to a 1/2-inch iron  
6 rod with a plastic cap marked "PSC RPLS 6453" set for the northeast  
7 corner of this tract, whence a 1-inch iron pipe bears South 67  
8 degrees 39 minutes 44 seconds East a distance of 280.65 feet and a  
9 3/4-inch iron pipe found at the northeast corner of said Terra Flora  
10 Subdivision bears South 67 degrees 39 minutes 44 seconds East a  
11 distance of 280.24 feet and North 22 degrees 26 minutes 23 seconds  
12 East a distance of 204.58 feet;

13           (4) THENCE South 22 degrees 20 minutes 16 seconds West  
14 a distance of 0.31 feet to a 1/2-inch iron rod with a plastic cap  
15 marked "PSC RPLS 6453" set for a point of intersection for a corner  
16 of this tract;

17           (5) THENCE southwesterly, along a curve to the left,  
18 an arc distance of 76.65 feet, said curve having a radius of 55.93  
19 feet, a delta angle of 78 degrees 31 minutes 25 seconds, a chord  
20 bearing of South 67 degrees 01 minutes 09 seconds West, and a chord  
21 distance of 70.79 feet to a 1/2-inch iron rod with a plastic cap  
22 marked "PSC RPLS 6453" set for a point of reverse curvature for a  
23 corner of this tract;

24           (6) THENCE southwesterly, along a curve to the right,  
25 an arc distance of 4.43 feet, said curve having a radius of 3.00  
26 feet, a delta angle of 84 degrees 38 minutes 18 seconds, a chord  
27 bearing of South 70 degrees 04 minutes 36 seconds West, and a chord

1 distance of 4.04 feet to a 1/2-inch iron rod with a plastic cap  
2 marked "PSC RPLS 6453" set for a point of tangency for a corner of  
3 this tract;

4 (7) THENCE North 67 degrees 36 minutes 19 seconds  
5 West, a distance of 18.60 feet to a 1/2-inch iron rod with a plastic  
6 cap marked "PSC RPLS 6453" set for a point of intersection for a  
7 corner of this tract;

8 (8) THENCE South 21 degrees 34 minutes 50 seconds West  
9 a distance of 90.75 feet to a 1/2-inch iron rod with a plastic cap  
10 marked "PSC RPLS 6453" set for a point of intersection for a corner  
11 of this tract;

12 (9) THENCE North 67 degrees 44 minutes 40 seconds West  
13 a distance of 5.07 feet to a 1/2-inch iron rod with a plastic cap  
14 marked "PSC RPLS 6453" set for a point of intersection for a corner  
15 of this tract;

16 (10) THENCE South 23 degrees 44 minutes 55 seconds  
17 West a distance of 9.25 feet to a 1/2-inch iron rod with a plastic  
18 cap marked "PSC RPLS 6453" set for a point of curvature for a corner  
19 of this tract;

20 (11) THENCE southwesterly, along a curve to the right,  
21 an arc distance of 7.75 feet, said curve having a radius of 5.00  
22 feet, a delta angle of 88 degrees 47 minutes 17 seconds, a chord  
23 bearing of South 68 degrees 08 minutes 33 seconds West, and a chord  
24 distance of 7.00 feet, to a 1/2-inch iron rod with a plastic cap  
25 marked "PSC RPLS 6453" set for a point of tangency for a corner of  
26 this tract;

27 (12) THENCE North 67 degrees 27 minutes 48 seconds

1 West a distance of 18.22 feet to a 1/2-inch iron rod with a plastic  
2 cap marked "PSC RPLS 6453" set for a point of curvature for a corner  
3 of this tract;

4 (13) THENCE southwesterly, along a curve to the left,  
5 an arc distance of 22.35 feet, said curve having a radius of 14.00  
6 feet, a delta angle of 91 degrees 28 minutes 59 seconds, a chord  
7 bearing of South 66 degrees 47 minutes 42 seconds West, and a chord  
8 distance of 20.05 feet to a 1/2-inch iron rod with a plastic cap  
9 marked "PSC RPLS 6453" set for a point of tangency for a corner of  
10 this tract;

11 (14) THENCE South 21 degrees 03 minutes 13 seconds  
12 West a distance of 13.28 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Bearings  
13 called in this description are based on the Texas Coordinate  
14 System, South Central Zone 4204, North American Datum of 1983.  
15 Distances called in this description are surface distances.

16 ARTICLE 2. TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION OVER AND MANAGEMENT OF STAR OF  
17 THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

18 SECTION 2.001. Chapter 442, Government Code, is amended by  
19 adding Subchapter B-1 to read as follows:

20 SUBCHAPTER B-1. STAR OF THE REPUBLIC MUSEUM

21 Sec. 442.061. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "museum"  
22 means the Star of the Republic Museum.

23 Sec. 442.062. JURISDICTION AND MAINTENANCE OF MUSEUM. (a)  
24 The museum and its contents are under the jurisdiction of the  
25 commission. The commission is responsible for the preservation,  
26 maintenance, and operation of the museum.

27 (b) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), Blinn College District

1 maintains ownership of the museum, the land on which the museum is  
2 located, and the artifacts in the museum.

3 (c) Except as provided by Subsection (b), any power or duty  
4 related to the museum formerly vested in any other state agency or  
5 entity is vested solely in the commission.

6 (d) The commission shall, in coordination with an advisory  
7 committee appointed by the board of trustees of the Blinn College  
8 District, promote the educational and public awareness programs at  
9 the museum, the Washington-on-the-Brazos State Historic Site, and  
10 the Barrington Living History Farm.

11 Sec. 442.063. GRANTS; DONATIONS. The commission may accept  
12 a grant or donation for any program or purpose of the museum.

13 SECTION 2.002. (a) On January 1, 2020, the following are  
14 transferred to the Texas Historical Commission:

15 (1) all powers and duties of Blinn College District  
16 relating to the Star of the Republic Museum;

17 (2) all unobligated and unexpended funds  
18 appropriated, donated, or contributed to Blinn College District  
19 designated for the administration of any part of the Star of the  
20 Republic Museum; and

21 (3) all files and other records of Blinn College  
22 District kept by Blinn College District regarding the Star of the  
23 Republic Museum.

24 (b) Notwithstanding any other law, Blinn College District  
25 shall continue to perform functions and activities related to the  
26 Star of the Republic Museum until January 1, 2020, and the former  
27 law is continued in effect for that purpose.

1                                   ARTICLE 3. EFFECTIVE DATES

2                   SECTION 3.001. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b) of  
3 this section, this Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

4                   (b) Article 1 of this Act takes effect immediately if this  
5 Act receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each  
6 house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution.  
7 If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate  
8 effect, Article 1 of this Act takes effect September 1, 2019.



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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2913 was passed by the House on May 3, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 2913 on May 24, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 141, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2913 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 22, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor