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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Public Policy Research Institute at Texas A&M  
2 University celebrated its 35th anniversary by hosting a special  
3 conference on November 5, 2018; and

4           WHEREAS, Established by the Texas Legislature in 1983, PPRI  
5 has become a leading interdisciplinary government and social policy  
6 research organization; it examines social problems related to the  
7 areas of government, education, public health, substance abuse,  
8 workforce and employment, aging, and the circumstances of children  
9 and families; in recent years, it has been particularly impactful  
10 in the realms of health, school discipline, and juvenile and  
11 criminal justice; and

12           WHEREAS, The institute designs scientific projects that  
13 predict and evaluate the effectiveness of programs and initiatives  
14 at all levels, from local to international; currently  
15 self-supporting, it has secured more than \$145 million in federal,  
16 state, and private extramural funding since its inception, and it  
17 has delivered scientific research and evaluative services to more  
18 than 90 public and private sponsors engaged in formulating public  
19 policy; and

20           WHEREAS, Utilizing advanced analytical and technical  
21 capabilities, PPRI offers survey design and administration, policy  
22 research, statistical analysis, program evaluation, and  
23 development and management of electronic information and data  
24 systems; as the largest public survey research organization in the

1 state, it effectively administers 100,000 interviews by phone,  
2 300,000 by mail, and 10,000 in person each year; and

3 WHEREAS, Solid data and expert analysis are key to the  
4 development and successful implementation of sound public policy,  
5 and as an essential resource for policymakers, PPRI has helped  
6 improve the quality of life for countless people in Texas and  
7 beyond; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
9 Legislature hereby congratulate the Public Policy Research  
10 Institute at Texas A&M University on its 35th anniversary and  
11 extend to all those associated with this outstanding organization  
12 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for the institute as an expression of high regard by the  
15 Texas House of Representatives.