

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 410

**WHEREAS**, The Texas State Rifle Association is celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, Established in 1919, the Texas State Rifle Association is an independent organization affiliated with, and recognized by, the National Rifle Association; its primary goal was to promote and encourage rifle shooting through training and competitions in the state and by competition with other such groups across the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, With the growth of association membership over the years, youth shooting and safety programs have developed in such organizations as 4-H, the Boy Scouts of America, the American Legion, the National High School Rodeo Association, and ROTC; in cooperation with the National Rifle Association, the Texas State Rifle Association sanctions state matches each year in more than 20 different shooting disciplines, and the state winners are eligible to advance to national competitions; and

**WHEREAS**, For many years, the association has carefully monitored other state legislatures and the United States Congress in its role as a strong supporter of the rights of law-abiding citizens to own firearms; the association had no active presence at the Texas State Capitol until 1985, when Doc Brown advocated on behalf of the association for the passage of a firearms preemption bill and a bill to stop hunter harassment, both of which were signed into law by Governor Mark White; and

**WHEREAS**, Today, the 35,000 members of the Texas State Rifle Association proudly maintain the association's original commitment to firearm skill development, youth participation, and safety training, as well as its support for traditional hunting and its ongoing dedication to firearm ownership and Second Amendment rights; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Texas State Rifle Association and commend its directors, officers, and members for their contributions to the legislative process; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the Texas State Rifle Association as an expression of high regard by the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the  
above Resolution was adopted by  
the Senate on March 14, 2019.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate