SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 819

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Port Arthur Education Foundation for its generous contributions to area schools and to their students, faculty, and staff; and

WHEREAS, The Port Arthur Education Foundation was established to enhance academic excellence in area public schools by supporting innovative educational projects; and

WHEREAS, In the two years since Hurricane Harvey made landfall on the Texas coastline, the Port Arthur Education Foundation has distributed more than \$1.2 million in aid to the students and staff of the Port Arthur Independent School District, the Sabine Pass Independent School District, and Lamar State College-Port Arthur; and

WHEREAS, Funds have been dispersed in the form of recovery grants, student scholarships, technology grants, and innovative teacher grants to address the specific needs of schools and individuals; and

WHEREAS, Flourishing education systems are integral to strong communities, and the Port Arthur Education Foundation civic leaders work to ensure that students, teachers, and schools in Port Arthur can excel in education and can look to the future with confidence; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby commend all associated with the Port Arthur Education Foundation for helping area school systems and students, faculty, and staff to recover from the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey and to thrive in their communities; and, be it further

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

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 24, 2019.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate