

By: Flores

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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The prosperity of the Lone Star State has been  
2 greatly influenced by family farming and ranching, and Betty Royal  
3 Rackley of Atascosa County has been officially recognized as heir  
4 to this proud tradition with the acceptance of the Old Fuller Place  
5 into the state's Family Land Heritage Program in 2023; and

6           WHEREAS, Sponsored by the Texas Department of Agriculture,  
7 this program honors farms and ranches that have been in continuous  
8 agricultural operation by the same family for a century or more; and

9           WHEREAS, William Barton Fuller moved to Atascosa County with  
10 his parents, John S. and Rebecca Fuller, and he grew up in a pioneer  
11 home centered around a life of ranching; in 1900, he acquired 191  
12 acres of land from the Jose Peche original tract, where he raised  
13 cattle; he later passed the ranch down to his son, Guy Fuller, who  
14 in turn transferred ownership to his nephew, Ned Royal; today, the  
15 Old Fuller Place is owned by Betty Royal Rackley, the  
16 great-granddaughter of the founder, and it continues to produce  
17 beef cattle; and

18           WHEREAS, In preserving her property as a working ranch, Betty  
19 Rackley is making her own contribution to her family's legacy, and  
20 it is indeed fitting that she be honored for her outstanding  
21 stewardship; now, therefore, be it

22           RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature, 3rd  
23 Called Session, hereby congratulate Betty Royal Rackley on the  
24 induction of the Old Fuller Place into the Texas Department of

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1 Agriculture Family Land Heritage Program and extend to her sincere  
2 best wishes for the future; and, be it further

3       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
4 prepared for Ms. Rackley as an expression of high regard by the  
5 Texas Senate.