

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 74

**WHEREAS**, Downtown Dallas, Inc. is celebrating its 65th anniversary in 2023, and this occasion provides a fitting opportunity to reflect on the organization's pivotal role in shaping the city's urban landscape; and

**WHEREAS**, Founded in 1958, DDI seeks to foster a vibrant and sustainable environment in downtown Dallas by focusing on infrastructure, public safety, beautification, cultural inclusivity, and economic development; this nonprofit organization also works to market the city and position Dallas as a global destination; DDI is funded by membership dues, contracts with the City of Dallas, and the Dallas Downtown Improvement District; and

**WHEREAS**, Under the leadership of current president and CEO Jennifer Scripps, DDI has played an important role in revitalizing the city's downtown area; in 2022, the organization contributed to numerous development projects, including Carpenter Park, One Newpark, and the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center Dallas, as well as to initiatives addressing housing affordability and homelessness such as The Galbraith residential development and R.E.A.L. Time Rehousing; and

**WHEREAS**, DDI has received many awards from the International Downtown Association, including the Merit Award and recognition in the community development, business and economic development, and marketing categories; and

**WHEREAS**, Downtown Dallas, Inc. is dedicated to building an even brighter future for the city in the decades to come, and the members of this outstanding organization are deserving of recognition for all that it has achieved over the past six and a half decades; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commemorate the 65th anniversary of Downtown Dallas, Inc. and extend to all those associated with the organization sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Downtown Dallas, Inc. as an expression of high regard 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 November 5, 2023.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate