

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 200

WHEREAS, Many proud Texans are visiting Austin on March 4, 2025, to celebrate Texas Southern University Day at the State Capitol; and

WHEREAS, One of the nation's preeminent historically Black colleges and universities, TSU was founded in 1927; it was designated as a special-purpose institution of higher education for urban programming by the Texas Legislature in 1973 and retains a steadfast commitment to innovative approaches that respond to the metropolitan environment and beyond; and

WHEREAS, The university now serves approximately 8,700 undergraduate and graduate students from around the world; it offers well over 100 baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral degree programs in numerous schools, including the Barbara Jordan-Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs, named after two alumni who served with distinction in the United States Congress; and

WHEREAS, TSU is noted for its Thurgood Marshall School of Law and its College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences; the university is also active in the Texas Legislative Internship Program, which grants students the opportunity to gain valuable experience in state government, alongside many legislators who share personal ties to their alma mater; and

WHEREAS, Under the leadership of its 14th president, James W. Crawford III, retired vice admiral and judge advocate general of the U.S. Navy, TSU has redoubled its efforts to increase student achievement rates and academic rigor, as demonstrated by the most recent four-year graduation rate that is the highest on record, while expanding its research programs, enhancing its culture, and developing stronger relationships with Houston-area public schools, local community colleges, alumni, corporate and private partners, government agencies, and other stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, For nearly a century, Texas Southern University has played an important role in higher education in the Lone Star State, and its graduates continue to achieve success and make significant contributions in numerous fields of endeavor; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby recognize March 4, 2025, as Texas Southern University Day at the State Capitol and extend to all those associated with the institution sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Texas Southern University as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Miles, Alvarado, Cook, Eckhardt
Hinojosa of Hidalgo, Hinojosa of Nueces, West

Member, Texas Senate

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on March 4, 2025.

Secretary of the Senate