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## SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Greater Port Arthur Area Chamber of Commerce, which recently received Accredition with Five Stars from the United States Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, This prestigious national designation recognizes local chambers of commerce for excellence in the administration of their objectives and for outstanding contributions to the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, The only chamber between Houston and Baton Rouge to have earned Accredition with Five Stars, the Greater Port Arthur Area Chamber of Commerce promotes the economic vitality of the region through consistent community engagement and proactive support of area businesses; and

WHEREAS, Over the past year, the chamber has provided members with 19 training sessions and seminars covering such topics as marketing, grant writing, disaster recovery, and fire safety; its numerous events benefitting local businesses and residents included the Occupational Medicine Conference in Jefferson County and the chamber's Empowering Futures job fairs; and

WHEREAS, Members of the Greater Port Arthur Area Chamber of Commerce are committed to fostering the region's long-term prosperity, and their invaluable support has made a positive

impact on numerous small businesses and in the lives of thousands of Texans; the staff, board, and volunteers who contribute to this exemplary institution and the process required to receive Accredition with Five Stars are truly deserving of recognition for their achievement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby recognize the Greater Port Arthur Area Chamber of Commerce on its outstanding efforts to promote economic prosperity for individuals and businesses in South Texas and extend to all who contribute to the chamber's work congratulations on earning national recognition and best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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