

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 722

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas takes pride in honoring a highly respected longtime staff member, Kelvin Bass, by naming him the 2025 legislative recipient of the Betty King Public Service Award; and

WHEREAS, For 25 years, Kelvin Bass has served the Senate with honor and distinction as a valued staff member in the office of Senator Royce West; over the course of his career, he has handled his various responsibilities with diligence and dedication, and he is held in highest regard by the legislators and the many Capitol staff members with whom he works; and

WHEREAS, Kelvin joined the office of Senator West in November of 1999, and since that time, he has contributed immeasurably to the Texas Legislature; in his role as press secretary and senior legislative aide to Senator West, he is noted for his expertise, prudent judgment, and uncompromising work ethic; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Kelvin has been instrumental in the creation of sound public policy that has benefited the people of Texas; his extensive knowledge in areas of criminal justice, public safety, and transportation issues has informed his development of impactful legislation relating to wrongful convictions, identity misuse, and deferred adjudication; in addition, his legislative experience and acumen and his thorough understanding of media management have made him an invaluable asset to the senator's office; and

WHEREAS, Among his numerous professional accomplishments, Mr. Bass helped to streamline the state's system for managing vehicle inspection and registration documentation, and he crafted important legislation regarding the collection, storage, and processing of DNA evidence; his comprehensive legislation relating to law enforcement's use of body-worn cameras is in application across the state, and he has made Texans safer through such efforts as the creation of an industry-specific statewide electronic reporting system and ending the use of temporary paper license plates on vehicles; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary legislative staff member, Kelvin Bass is a role model for anyone in public service, and he is admired and respected for his strength of character and his unwavering loyalty to the Texas Senate; his high standards, integrity, and commitment to excellence represent the finest qualities of this institution, and the Texas Senate takes pride in recognizing him with a 2025 Betty King Public Service Award; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Legislature, hereby extend sincere appreciation to Kelvin Bass for his outstanding service to the Texas Senate and

congratulations on earning a 2025 Betty King Public Service Award; and, be it further

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

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Alvarado	Hagenbuch	Middleton
Bettencourt	Hancock	Miles
Birdwell	Hinojosa of Hidalgo	Nichols
Blanco	Hinojosa of Nueces	Parker
Campbell	Huffman	Paxton
Cook	Hughes	Perry
Creighton	Johnson	Schwertner
Eckhardt	King	Sparks
Flores	Kolkhorst	West
Gutierrez	Menéndez	Zaffirini

Patrick, President of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on June 2, 2025.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate