PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Covernor of the State of Texas

41-3195

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove of and veto House Bill No. 2820 as passed by the Eighty-first Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

House Bill No. 2820 would expand the definition of professional services to include geoscientists and landscape architects. The bidding procedure for professional services requires selection based on qualifications without regard to price. This bill would prevent price-based competition for services by geoscientists and landscape architects, and therefore does not guarantee the best value for taxpayers when government entities contract for these services.

Since the Legislature by its adjournment has prevented the return of this bill, I am filing these objections in the office of the Secretary of State and giving notice thereof by this public proclamation according to the aforementioned constitutional provision.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 19th day of June, 2009.

RICK PERPY

Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

COBY SHORTER, I

Depaty Secretary of State

SECRETARY OF STATE

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