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Legislature Approves Tejano Monument for Historic Capitol Grounds... State Preservation Board Approval Still Needed

“Fact Sheet”

- Governor Rick Perry will host a Bill signing ceremony for HB 4114 by Rep. Martinez-Fischer this Friday morning at the state Capitol. This action will mark the final critical administrative step by the Legislature before the SPB meets to give final approval for the Tejano Monument project. Pending this final approval, construction of the monument can begin on the Capitol grounds in Austin.
- In 2001, State Representative Kino Flores sponsored a House Resolution (HCR-38) to establish a monument commemorating the early Spanish and Mexican pioneers of Texas. This resolution was passed unanimously by the State 77th Legislature.
- The 80th Texas Legislature in 2007 approved \$1.086 million for completion of the Monument. The Tejano Monument Corporation has raised more than \$600,000 privately for the monument.
- The current Legislature passed HB 4114 by Rep. Martinez-Fischer authorizing the placement of the Tejano Monument on the Historic Capitol Grounds, which would place the monument on the south, or front side of the Capitol building.
- The Tejano Monument Inc. is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) Corporation and their board of directors and committees have been working with the State Preservation Board (SPB) staff to comply with all regulations and specifications for monuments on the state Capitol grounds.
- Information requested of the Tejano Monument Inc. by the SPB was finalized and sent to the SPB on February 8, 2008. After some more modifications, the plans, budget and paper work has been finalized and will go to the SPB for final approval.
- For more information on the Tejano Monument visit us at www.tejanos.com or mail The Tejano Monument, Inc. at 501 Mockingbird Lane, McAllen, Texas 78501.