FORM 2081—J-1999-1046-4M

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

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REPRODUCED FROM THE HOLDINGS OF THE TEXAS STATE ARCHIVES

ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

I have vetoed House Bill 543 which was passed at the recently-adjourned session of the 50th Legislature.

This bill would take the management and control of the Texas School for the Deaf from the State Board of Control and place it in a new Board of Trustees.

Proponents of this bill have filed with me various criticisms of the present operation of this institution. They have suggested that the educational program is inadequate, that certain new methods of training might well be introduced; that the school term should be extended, and so forth.

These may be valid criticisms. I am not in position to pass on them. I have made careful note of every suggestion made and I have transmitted these to the State Board of Control for its careful consideration.

If there are conditions in the institution which need correction, it should not be necessary to go to the great extreme of setting up a new governing board to accomplish this. I am sure that we can depend upon the State Board of Control to take such action in these matters as may be indicated.

The establishment of a separate board for one of our eleemosynary institutions would, in my judgment, lead inevitably to demands for such governing bodies for all other State schools. This would cause us to revert to the old plan of managing all of these institutions separately, with no coordination of control, budgeting, purchasing, or direction. I think that would be an undesirable backward step.

I am certain that we can make the desired progress at the Texas School for the Deaf without disrupting our entire system of State institutional management.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereunto signed my name officially and caused the Seal of State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this the 26th day of June, A. D., 1947.

Beauford H. Jester
GOVERNOR OF TEXAS

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Kirk L. Mallory
Assistant SECRETARY OF STATE

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

THIS 26 DAY OF June 1947

AT 9 O'CLOCK AM 17 MINUTES pm

Kirk L. Mallory
Assistant Secretary of State