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SENATOR WENDY DAVIS RECOGNIZES O.B. MACARONI FOR OUTSTANDING CONTINUOUS SERVICE IN TEXAS

Fort Worth Texas – Senator Wendy Davis (Democrat State Senator of Fort Worth Texas) today recognized O.B. Macaroni with a Texas Treasure Business Award from the Texas Historical Commission *(THC)*. The Texas Treasure Business Award program pays tribute to businesses that have provided employment opportunities and support to the state's economy for 50 years or more. Created in 2005 through legislation authored by Sen. Leticia Van de Putte (D-San Antonio) and sponsored by Rep.Charles "Doc" Anderson (R-Waco), the program recognizes well-established Texas businesses and their exceptional historical contributions to the state's economic growth and prosperity.

"O.B. Macaroni is now in a rare category among Texas businesses. As of October, 2013, only 129 businesses in Texas have been awarded this unique honor" states Senator Davis

A special decal identifying the business as a Texas Treasure will be publicly displayed at O.B. Macaroni. Consumers will know when they spot the familiar Texas Treasure Business icon, they are doing business with a well-established, Texas-owned-and-operated business that has long contributed to job growth, stimulated the local economy, and generated state and local tax revenues.

Established in1899 O.B. Macaroni is one of only a hand full of dry pasta manufacturing facilities in the United States. O.B. can produce over seventy five different varieties of dry pasta's including macaroni, spaghetti, egg noodles, penne and rotini just to name a few. O.B. has the capabilities to produce more than 200 million pounds of pasta each year, selling dry pasta to the foodservice, retail and ingredients industry.

"It's a privilege for us to be recognized celebrating our 115th year in business. We remain committed to Texas, by creating jobs and stimulating economic growth," said Gene Ratliff Managing Partner and Chief Marketing Officer.

O.B. Macaroni is Celebrating 115 Years in Business (1888 - 2014)

For more information about the Texas Treasure Business Award, contact the THC at 512.463.6092 or visit "www.the.state.tx.us