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**Congresswoman Sheila Jackson
Lee Shows Her Support
at the Opening of the Country's
First Weather Museum**

April 26, 2006...The first Weather Museum in the United

States made it onto the National radar screen when Representative Shelia Jackson Lee visited during the grand opening festivities. Lee stopped by to tour the new John C. Freeman Weather Museum at Weather Research Center, which opened to the public on April 22 in the Houston Museum District.

Congresswoman Lee emphasized the importance of having a facility to learn how to deal with natural disasters, as well as demonstrate to the children how much fun math and science can be. "I am excited and proud to support The Weather Museum - an interactive museum with exhibits allowing visitors to experience various aspects of the weather, acquire weather information as well as safety information," Lee endorsed. "Entities such as this one continue to educate the minds of our community." She also recognized the need for funding for future expansion of the facility.

While visiting, Congresswoman Lee was fascinated with the museum's Weather Sphere, a digital video globe which project various weather situations in a high-tech manner that's easy to understand. She also made here own weather DVD in the museum's mock television studio, WRC-TV.

The John C. Freeman Weather Museum provides a fun and stimulating facility for people of all ages to learn about the weather, its history and public safety. Located at 5104 Caroline, the museum is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Admission to the Weather Museum is \$5 for adults, \$2 for students and seniors and free for children under age 3. For more information, please call (713) 529-3076 or go to www.weathermuseum.org.

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