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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, El Paso Community College received the 2020 Higher
 Education Excellence in Diversity Award from INSIGHT Into Diversity
 magazine; and

WHEREAS, The HEED Award recognizes those schools that demonstrate an outstanding commitment to diversity and inclusion through on-campus initiatives, programs, and outreach, as well as student recruitment and retention and hiring practices for faculty and staff; EPCC was presented with the accolade for the eighth consecutive year and was featured in the November 2020 issue of *INSIGHT Into Diversity*; and

11 WHEREAS, A champion of inclusion and equity, EPCC fosters and 12 promotes cultural awareness and respect among employees and 13 students and throughout the community at large; the college also 14 works to eliminate educational disparities through its broad-based 15 support of academic progress, degree completion, transfer, and 16 gainful employment; and

WHEREAS, By creating opportunities and providing resources for students from historically underrepresented backgrounds, EPCC is helping to expand access to higher education for area residents, and in so doing, the school is contributing greatly to the prosperity of the El Paso community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate El Paso Community College on its receipt of the 2020 Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award

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1 from INSIGHT Into Diversity magazine and extend to the school's
2 student body, faculty, staff, and administration sincere best
3 wishes for the future; and, be it further

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4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 5 prepared for El Paso Community College as an expression of high 6 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.