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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Jaime Chahin retired as dean of the Texas State
2 University College of Applied Arts on August 7, 2023, following a
3 distinguished career spanning 36 years with the institution; and

4 WHEREAS, A skilled administrator and esteemed scholar,
5 Dr. Chahin joined the university in 1987; he taught undergraduate
6 and graduate courses in education and social work policy while
7 focusing his research on migrants and Latino families; widely
8 published, his work has appeared in peer-reviewed journal articles,
9 monographs, and books; he was executive producer of two PBS
10 documentaries, *Mexican American Legislative Caucus: The Texas*
11 *Struggle for Equality and Opportunity* and *The Forgotten Americans*,
12 a film about colonias along the Mexican-American border, which won
13 a first-place award at the National Council on Family Relations;
14 over the years, he has garnered more than \$8 million in grants and
15 contracts from foundations, corporations, and state and federal
16 agencies; and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Chahin served as a lead expert witness in *LULAC*
18 *v. Richards*, a South Texas class action lawsuit regarding higher
19 education; committed to opening doors of opportunity, he was named
20 a Kellogg Fellow and served as an advisor to the Kellogg Foundation
21 ENLACE project, the Rockefeller Brothers Fund master teacher
22 project, the Annie E. Casey Foundation, and the Institute for
23 Higher Education Policy-Walmart Foundation first-generation
24 student success initiative; he has conducted accreditation visits

1 in Central and South America at the behest of the U.S. Department of
2 State and served as an advisor to the Federal Reserve Bank; his
3 myriad accolades include the Ohtli Award from Mexico's Ministry of
4 Foreign Affairs and recognition as a Distinguished Alumnus by Texas
5 A&M University-Kingsville, where he earned his bachelor's degree in
6 sociology and political science; he also holds a master's degree in
7 administration and policy and a doctorate in educational
8 administration from the University of Michigan; and

9 WHEREAS, Through his exceptional contributions to higher
10 education, Jaime Chahin has earned the respect and admiration of
11 innumerable people, and he may indeed reflect with pride on a career
12 well spent; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
14 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby congratulate Dr. Jaime
15 Chahin on his retirement from Texas State University and extend to
16 him sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for Dr. Chahin as an expression of high regard by the Texas
19 House of Representatives.