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H.R. No. 1422

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The CPS Energy Board of Trustees elected Janie
2 Martinez Gonzalez and Dr. Francine Sanders Romero as the chair and
3 vice chair, respectively, on January 30, 2023, marking the first
4 time that two women will lead the board together; and

5 WHEREAS, First named to the board of trustees in 2019, Janie
6 Martinez Gonzalez also chairs the CPS Energy technology and
7 resilience and personnel committees and serves on the nominations,
8 operations oversight, and risk management committees; this
9 respected entrepreneur and philanthropist founded one of the first
10 web development companies in South Texas, Webhead, and she went on
11 to establish LATINA CEO, a professional consultant firm for
12 minority women, and the Cascarón Bash, a charity event; she is also
13 a member of the boards of a number of worthy organizations,
14 including the Southside First Economic Development Council and the
15 Young Women's Leadership Academy Foundation; she is a graduate of
16 The University of Texas at San Antonio and the UT Austin McCombs
17 School of Business; and

18 WHEREAS, Beginning her tenure on the CPS Energy Board of
19 Trustees in 2022, Dr. Francine Sanders Romero acts as chair of the
20 operations oversight and risk management committees in addition to
21 serving as vice chair of the board of trustees; she is an associate
22 professor at UTSA and chair of the university's Department of
23 Public Administration; active in her community, she has given
24 generously of her time and talents through leadership roles with

1 the Phil Hardberger Park Conservancy and the Hill Country Alliance,
2 among other organizations, and she has made vital contributions to
3 the City of San Antonio Conservation Advisory Board; she holds a
4 master's degree and doctorate in political science from the
5 University of California, Riverside; and

6 WHEREAS, Throughout their careers, these exceptional women
7 have demonstrated their dedication, professionalism, and
8 long-standing commitment to their fellow citizens, and it is a
9 pleasure to recognize them as they usher in a new era in the history
10 of CPS Energy; now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
12 Legislature hereby congratulate Janie Martinez Gonzalez and
13 Dr. Francine Sanders Romero on their election as chair and vice
14 chair of the CPS Energy Board of Trustees and extend to them sincere
15 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared
17 for Ms. Gonzalez and Dr. Romero as an expression of high regard by
18 the Texas House of Representatives.