SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 665

WHEREAS, The Korean American Association of El Paso provided vital aid to the citizens of Turkey in the wake of the devastating earthquakes that impacted the nation in February 2023; and

WHEREAS, On February 6, a magnitude 7.8 quake struck southern Turkey and northern Syria, and strong aftershocks continued to ravage communities in the weeks that followed; the earthquakes killed at least 50,000 people and injured many more, and the widespread destruction of property left hundreds of thousands homeless; and

WHEREAS, In response to the disaster, the Korean American Association of El Paso worked tirelessly to collect donations and raise funds for the people of Turkey; the organization has benefited immeasurably from the contributions of its members, who are veterans of armed forces in the United States as well as other nations; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Korean American Association of El Paso have helped to ease the burden on a number of earthquake survivors in Turkey, and in so doing, they have set an inspiring example of compassion and generosity toward others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, hereby commend the Korean American Association of El Paso for its contributions to earthquake relief efforts in Turkey and extend to the organization's members sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the Korean American Association of El Paso as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Blanco

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 25, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate