

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, During his tenure as governor of the State of San
2 Luis Potosí, the Honorable Fernando Silva Nieto has exemplified the
3 virtues of integrity and dedication, and his skilled leadership has
4 played a vital role in the progress of this richly diverse region;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, San Luis Potosí embraces a territory of 24,417
7 square miles in the center of Mexico; the state's several climate
8 zones range from the tropical Huasteca to the temperate Sierra
9 Madre Oriental to the arid and semiarid high plateau; and

10 WHEREAS, The name San Luis Potosí is said to derive from the
11 French king, Saint Louis, with Potosí added to suggest a
12 correspondence between the wealth of the region's mines and those
13 of Potosí in Bolivia; in another version of the story, the name
14 honors Luis de Velasco, the second viceroy of New Spain; and

15 WHEREAS, A state steeped in history, San Luis Potosí is home
16 to 2.3 million people; more than half a million of these reside in
17 the capital, also called San Luis Potosí, a dynamic industrial
18 metropolis that still retains its lovely colonial center; and

19 WHEREAS, Boasting abundant deposits of silver, gold, copper,
20 zinc, and bismuth, San Luis Potosí is one of Mexico's leading mining
21 states; its vibrant economy is also boosted by plentiful sugarcane
22 crops, basic metal manufacturing, and diverse industry; in
23 addition, the state is an important railway center, ranking sixth
24 nationally in length of railroad tracks; and

1 WHEREAS, The notable endeavors of Governor Silva Nieto have
2 greatly benefited the State of San Luis Potosí and won him
3 widespread respect and admiration at home and abroad; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas
6 hereby commend the Honorable Fernando Silva Nieto for his
7 outstanding leadership as governor of the State of San Luis Potosí
8 and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be
9 it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
11 prepared for Governor Silva Nieto as an expression of high regard by
12 the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

Davis of Harris

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 30 was adopted by the House on March 18, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 30 was adopted by the Senate on March 18, 2003, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor