

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The M.A.N.O. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce in Odessa  
2 has been in existence for 10 years and celebrated this important  
3 milestone with a gala event on March 13, 2003, keynoted by United  
4 States Treasurer Rosario Marin; and

5           WHEREAS, M.A.N.O. has been recognized on both state and  
6 national levels as the Hispanic Chamber of the Year and, under the  
7 able leadership of executive director Iris Correa, it is a model  
8 that is emulated by Hispanic chambers of commerce across the U.S.;  
9 and

10          WHEREAS, The organization offers a multitude of financial and  
11 business development services, including financial aid paperwork  
12 processing, home equity loan application processing, and HUD  
13 certification application processing, primarily focusing on  
14 Hispanic and small business issues; and

15          WHEREAS, In 2000, M.A.N.O. established the Permian Basin  
16 Business Development Center in an effort to champion the economic  
17 development of small businesses and the community at large; and

18          WHEREAS, A leader in business community integration,  
19 M.A.N.O. provides Hispanic leadership training and development;  
20 the group serves the low- and moderate-income market, relying on  
21 volunteer-based assistance to guide these segments into the  
22 business mainstream; and

23          WHEREAS, By providing area residents with essential  
24 information and support to succeed in business, the M.A.N.O.

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1 Hispanic Chamber of Commerce is creating a brighter future for this  
2 state; now, therefore, be it

3         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
4 Legislature hereby recognize the M.A.N.O. Hispanic Chamber of  
5 Commerce for its dedication to the economic development of the  
6 Permian Basin and West Texas and extend to all those associated with  
7 M.A.N.O. sincere best wishes for future success; and, be it further

8         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
9 prepared for the organization as an expression of high regard by the  
10 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 741 was adopted by the House on April 14, 2003, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House