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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Steve Ahlenius has ably served as president and chief executive officer of the McAllen Chamber of Commerce since

1998, and his dedication to the city he is proud to call home is

4 indeed worthy of special legislative recognition; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Wayland Baptist University and of Texas Tech University, where he earned his master's degree in public administration, Mr. Ahlenius has been a tireless advocate for the McAllen community, promoting area events, championing local

businesses and organizations, and setting an outstanding example of

10 leadership to which all may aspire; and

WHEREAS, During his exemplary tenure, the McAllen Chamber of Commerce has experienced a remarkable 64 percent growth in membership, and in 2001, the organization was selected as the National Chamber of the Year by the National Association of

Membership Development; and

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WHEREAS, Steve Ahlenius has made the community of McAllen a better place in which to live, work, and raise a family, and his contributions will surely benefit area residents for years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Steve Ahlenius on his achievements as president and chief executive officer of the McAllen Chamber of Commerce and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

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- 1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 2 prepared for Mr. Ahlenius as an expression of high regard by the
- 3 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1740 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House