

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 261

WHEREAS, On March 2, 2005, proud residents, business people, and friends of the Richardson community are meeting at the State Capitol for Richardson's Telecom Corridor Legislative Day; and

WHEREAS, Located just north of Dallas in both Collin and Dallas Counties, Richardson is home to more than 97,000 people and a high concentration of technology and telecommunications firms, including Texas Instruments' newest \$3 billion semiconductor chip manufacturing plant; and

WHEREAS, The collaboration between business and government that characterizes the region is due in large part to the committed efforts of the Richardson Chamber of Commerce and its affiliated organization, the Metroplex Technology Business Council; and

WHEREAS, Richardson's high quality of life makes it an ideal home to modern business; in addition to some of the state's best schools and colleges, the city also boasts more than 1,000 acres of park space, and the nationally known Wildflower Arts and Music Festival and Cottonwood Arts Festival are apt reflections of the area's rich cultural opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Richardson is also home to The University of Texas at Dallas, a dynamic research institution on the cutting edge of science, technology, and medicine; the site of the new \$85 million Natural Science and Engineering Research Building, the university is known for its outstanding school of engineering and computer science as well as for its exceptional faculty and staff, including two Nobel laureates; and

WHEREAS, The Richardson Chamber of Commerce and the area's technology leadership have made Richardson's Telecom Corridor area one of the showpieces of modern Texas, and they can take great pride in their many accomplishments as they look forward to the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby recognize March 2, 2005, as Richardson's Telecom Corridor Legislative Day and extend a warm welcome to the area's business and civic leaders visiting the State Capitol.

Carona, Shapiro

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 2, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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