

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 617

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Gary Scharrer, who is leaving his position as a reporter for the *El Paso Times* after 25 years of outstanding service; and

**WHEREAS**, El Paso's loss, however, is San Antonio's gain, as Gary is taking a new assignment reporting for the *San Antonio Express-News*; and

**WHEREAS**, The Michigan native is a graduate of Michigan State University, and his love for all things related to Michigan State is well-known; and

**WHEREAS**, Gary is even more passionate about his faith and his family--he is devoted to his wife, Gaye, and his son, Ryan; and

**WHEREAS**, Gary is a highly esteemed reporter who has covered politics in Texas for 25 years, and by now, he is truly a part of Texas; Gary is beloved and respected by the citizens of El Paso, and his presence in the city will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend Gary Scharrer for his many contributions to the El Paso community and extend to him best wishes in his new position with the *San Antonio Express-News*; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 13, 2005.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate