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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Texas is justly renowned for its distinctive foods
2 and its rich tradition of culinary excellence, and Austin
3 restaurateur Adam Gonzales is significantly contributing to our
4 state's reputation for outstanding Tex-Mex; and

5 WHEREAS, Born near the Mexican border in San Juan, Mr.
6 Gonzales grew up in Manchaca just south of Austin; he learned his
7 love for cooking from his mother, Emcie, with whom he worked in her
8 tamale business; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Gonzales attended public schools in Austin and
10 the University of Houston before embarking on his extensive
11 travels, exploring the cuisines of the Caribbean, Brazil, Italy,
12 and France; and

13 WHEREAS, In 1987, along with his brother David Quintanilla,
14 he founded the restaurant chain Serranos Cafe & Cantina; as vice
15 president of operations and executive chef, Mr. Gonzales has been
16 instrumental in the growth of this popular Austin eatery, and in
17 1998, he and his brother acquired the well-known Houston-based
18 chain, Ninfa's; and

19 WHEREAS, With Serranos and now Ninfa's, Adam Gonzales
20 combines his talents as a cook with his skills as an entrepreneur,
21 and he has cultivated an enthusiastic following in Austin and
22 beyond; a great friend to the members of the Mexican American
23 Legislative Caucus of the Texas House of Representatives, Mr.
24 Gonzales annually hosts MALC's Golf Tournament reception at

1 Serranos at Symphony Square; in recognition of his friendship and
2 support, MALC honored Mr. Gonzales with its Amigo Award during the
3 October 2006 reception; and

4 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan brings enthusiasm and
5 dedication to all that he undertakes, and it is a pleasure to
6 recognize him for his contributions to the betterment of his
7 community; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
9 Legislature hereby commend Adam Gonzales for his professional
10 achievements and extend to him best wishes for continued success;
11 and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for Mr. Gonzales as an expression of high regard by the
14 Texas House of Representatives.