

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 407**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize His Excellency Lieutenant Girma Wolde-Giorgis, President of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, and welcome him to Texas and to the City of Houston; and

**WHEREAS**, A man with a wealth of experience and knowledge, President Wolde-Giorgis has served the people of Ethiopia for many decades; he began his career in public service as a member of the air force, teaching air navigation and flight control before assuming the post of director general of Ethiopian Civil Aviation; and

**WHEREAS**, He became a member of the Ethiopian Parliament in 1953 and served as its president for three consecutive years; while a member of Parliament, he helped win a seat for the Ethiopian Parliament in the International Parliamentary Union, and he later was elected vice president of the union's 52nd Meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, President Wolde-Giorgis is the founder of the Ghibe Agricultural Association and the Keffa and Illubabor Timber Processing Industry, and he has served as a board member of the Ethiopian Red Cross Society; his leadership and vision have benefited the people of Ethiopia for many years, and he deserves recognition for his many significant accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend His Excellency Lieutenant Girma Wolde-Giorgis, President of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, for his outstanding work on behalf of the people of Ethiopia and extend to him a heartfelt welcome to the Lone Star State; 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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Dewhurst, President of the Senate

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 5, 2007.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate