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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The City of El Paso has received a 2011 Gold
- 2 Leadership Circle Award from the Texas Comptroller Leadership
- 3 Circle program; and
- WHEREAS, Initiated in December 2009, the program was created
- 5 to recognize local governments that are striving to attain
- 6 financial transparency online; the award spotlights those that open
- 7 their books to the public, provide a clear picture of spending, and
- 8 share information in a user-friendly format; and
- 9 WHEREAS, The City of El Paso scored 17 out of a possible 20
- 10 points on the Leadership Circle rating sheet, reflecting the easy
- 11 access that residents have to information about the city's
- 12 finances; and
- WHEREAS, Keeping taxpayers informed about how public monies
- 14 are spent helps to maintain the high level of trust between citizens
- 15 and their government that is vital in a free society, and the City
- 16 of El Paso truly merits praise for its efforts in that regard; now,
- 17 therefore, be it
- 18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 19 Legislature hereby congratulate the City of El Paso on its receipt
- 20 of a 2011 Gold Leadership Circle Award from the Texas Comptroller
- 21 Leadership Circle program and extend sincere best wishes to all
- 22 those associated with the city's online project for continued
- 23 success with their worthy endeavor; and, be it further
- 24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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- 1 prepared for the City of El Paso as an expression of high regard by
- 2 the Texas House of Representatives.