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H.R. No. 757

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Honorable Gary A. Slagel is completing his  
2 tenure as mayor of Richardson in 2011, drawing to a close a  
3 distinguished record of service that has greatly benefited his  
4 fellow citizens; and

5           WHEREAS, Mayor Slagel has been an elected official in  
6 Richardson for more than two decades; he served as mayor from 1991  
7 until 2007 and has served again since 2009, and he has further  
8 contributed his expertise as the council member for Place 4, as  
9 mayor pro tem, and as a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment and  
10 Appeals; and

11           WHEREAS, During his years in local government, Mayor Slagel  
12 has played a vital role in ensuring the prosperity of the city  
13 through his leadership in economic development and corporate  
14 retention, and he has also led the way in a number of important  
15 infrastructure, commercial development, and transit initiatives;  
16 and

17           WHEREAS, This dedicated public servant was a member of the  
18 executive board of the North Central Texas Council of Governments  
19 from 1991 to 1996 and its president from 1994 to 1995; he was also a  
20 member of the Metroplex Mayors Association from 1991 to 2007,  
21 serving as the association's president in 2005; from 1991 to 2006,  
22 he was part of the executive committee of the Dallas Regional  
23 Mobility Coalition and chaired its legislative committee; and

24           WHEREAS, Mayor Slagel's experience as a successful

1 businessman informs his work in public office; today president and  
2 CEO of a software firm, CapitalSoft, he has a bachelor's degree in  
3 industrial technology from Illinois State University and a master's  
4 degree in business administration from Amberton University; and

5 WHEREAS, Mayor Slagel's myriad achievements have been  
6 recognized with a number of well-deserved honors, including the  
7 William J. Pitstick Regional Excellence Award from the North  
8 Central Texas Council of Governments in 2003, the Tech Titans Award  
9 from the Metroplex Technology Business Council in 2002, and the  
10 Public Official Business Partner of the Year accolade from *Inside*  
11 *Collin County Business* in 2007; throughout his career, he has  
12 enjoyed the love and support of his wife, Pat, and the couple have  
13 four children and four grandchildren; and

14 WHEREAS, Gary Slagel has made Richardson an even better place  
15 in which to live and work over the course of his years in office, and  
16 he may indeed reflect with pride on all that he has accomplished for  
17 the city; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
19 Legislature hereby commend Gary A. Slagel for his notable  
20 leadership as mayor of the city of Richardson and extend to him  
21 sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it  
22 further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
24 prepared for Mayor Slagel as an expression of high regard by the  
25 Texas House of Representatives.