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H.R. No. 1260

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Hector Agustin Murguia Lardizabal, mayor of Ciudad  
2 Juarez, Chihuahua, in Mexico is visiting the State Capitol on April  
3 11, 2011; and

4           WHEREAS, A chemical engineer by trade, Hector Murguia  
5 graduated from the Instituto Tecnologico de Estudios Superiores de  
6 Monterrey; he has been involved in public service since the early  
7 1990s, when he accepted the post as president of the Juarez  
8 Municipal Financing Commission; he subsequently served as  
9 political advisor to the State of Chihuahua and as a federal  
10 representative and senator before holding office as mayor of his  
11 hometown of Ciudad Juarez from 2004 to 2007; he was reelected to  
12 that position in 2011; and

13           WHEREAS, Mayor Murguia has achieved prominence as a fervent  
14 advocate for international trade between Ciudad Juarez and the  
15 State of Texas, distinguishing himself through his efforts to  
16 increase commerce, strengthen small and mid-size industrial  
17 development, and improve border relations; trade between Ciudad  
18 Juarez and the State of Texas represents 15 percent of the trade  
19 relationship between Mexico and the United States and totals more  
20 than \$48 billion annually; and

21           WHEREAS, Ciudad Juarez and the neighboring city of El Paso  
22 have evolved together as a dynamic economic and cultural crossroads  
23 and today make up the world's largest international metropolitan  
24 area with over two million residents; the cities share four

1 international ports of entry that play a key part in the  
2 transportation system that links the Southern and Western  
3 hemispheres; moreover, over 70 Fortune 500 companies operate  
4 maquiladora plants in the area, employing some 177,600 Ciudad  
5 Juarez workers in telecommunications and the manufacturing of  
6 medical supplies, consumer appliances, electronics, and automotive  
7 parts; and

8         WHEREAS, Hector Agustin Murguia Lardizabal has won the  
9 admiration of Ciudad Juarez and El Paso residents alike, and it is  
10 indeed a pleasure to recognize him for his wide-ranging  
11 contributions to the region; now, therefore, be it

12         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
13 Legislature hereby welcome Ciudad Juarez Mayor Hector Murguia to  
14 the State Capitol and extend to him sincere best wishes for a  
15 productive and enjoyable visit to Austin; and, be it further

16         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for Mayor Murguia as an expression of high regard by the  
18 Texas House of Representatives.