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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Texas Department of Transportation executive 2 director Amadeo Saenz, Jr., has served his agency with great 3 dedication since 1978, and it is indeed fitting to recognize his 4 contributions; and

5 WHEREAS, A native of Hebbronville, Mr. Saenz earned his 6 bachelor's degree in civil engineering with honors from The 7 University of Texas at Austin; he initially joined TxDOT as an 8 engineering laboratory assistant in the Pharr District; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Saenz was appointed district engineer in the Pharr District in October 1993; eight years later, he was named 10 11 assistant executive director for engineering operations in Austin; 12 he implemented and managed policies, programs, and operating strategies according to federal and state laws and Texas 13 14 Transportation Commission regulations and directives; since 2007, he has served as executive director of the agency, managing, 15 directing, and implementing policies, programs, and operating 16 strategies; and 17

WHEREAS, This notable Texan served his profession as a member of the Civil Engineering External Advisory Committee for UT-Austin; he has also been active in his community and was a member of the Rotary Clubs in Laredo and Pharr; moreover, he gave generously of his time and talents to the Boy Scouts in the McAllen area; and

23 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Saenz enjoys the support 24 and encouragement of his wife, Geraldine, and their children,

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Priscilla and David; he owns and operates a small cattle ranch in
South Texas and enjoys horseback riding and hunting; and

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3 WHEREAS, Amadeo Saenz, Jr., has worked to benefit the 4 citizens of Texas throughout a tenure in public service spanning 5 more than three decades, and he may reflect with pride on his 6 achievements; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 8 Legislature hereby honor Amadeo Saenz, Jr., for his service in the 9 Texas Department of Transportation and extend to him sincere best 10 wishes for the future; and, be it further

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

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