

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 455

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the certified retirement communities in Texas, which play an important role in attracting retirees to desirable retirement locations within the Lone Star State; and

WHEREAS, Marketing the appeal of Texas as a retirement destination benefits all Texans; retirees contribute socially and economically to the state in which they retire by bringing volunteerism, experience, and a wealth of knowledge to their communities and generating a substantial positive economic impact; and

WHEREAS, The Texas Department of Agriculture administers the GO TEXAN Certified Retirement Community program to assist Texas communities in encouraging retirees to make their home in a Texas certified retirement community; and

WHEREAS, Today's younger and more active retirees seek communities that can fit their lifestyle; the GO TEXAN stamp of approval ensures that each certified community has demonstrated an ability to meet the living, employment, volunteer, health, entertainment, education, and safety needs of citizens; and

WHEREAS, The GO TEXAN Certified Retirement Community program and its participants are truly worthy of recognition for their efforts in promoting Texas as a desirable retirement destination; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend the communities that have earned the title of GO TEXAN Certified Retirement Community and recognize April 20, 2011, as "Retire in Texas Day"; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the certified retirement communities as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 9, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate