

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 116

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Herbert Canales for his many years of outstanding service as director of the Corpus Christi Public Libraries and for his leadership in the Corpus Christi community; and

WHEREAS, Herb Canales joined the city as a public servant in 1980 and has served the City of Corpus Christi for over 32 years; he is now retiring from his position as interim assistant city manager; and

WHEREAS, Herb was appointed director of the city's libraries in 1985, and he quickly set about modernizing and expanding the library system and increasing the accessibility of the libraries to the public; and

WHEREAS, As director, Herb was in charge of the expansion of the system, which included a central library and five branch locations throughout the city, and oversaw numerous improvement projects; he also engaged the public interest and support and helped to facilitate more than \$6 million in private donations; and

WHEREAS, He envisioned a computer system that connected Corpus Christi to library databases across the country, and his forward thinking and consensus building led to a modern library system that included digitization of the city's historical archive material; and

WHEREAS, The citizens of the Corpus Christi community have greatly benefited from the dedication and vision of this talented public servant, and he deserves recognition for his innumerable accomplishments on behalf of the city; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend Herbert Canales for his invaluable contributions to the Corpus Christi Public Libraries and to the City of Corpus Christi and extend to him best wishes for the retirement years ahead; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Hinojosa

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 4, 2013.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate