

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 118**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Jorge L. Quijano, a prominent Lamar University alumnus who is the chief executive officer and administrator of the Panama Canal Authority; and

**WHEREAS**, Jorge Quijano earned both a bachelor of science degree and a master of engineering degree in industrial engineering and management from Lamar University, and he is the leader of the Panama Canal Expansion Program; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Quijano began his career with the Panama Canal Authority in 1975 and served in several capacities before becoming director of Maritime Operations in 1999; after being designated manager of the canal's expansion program, he was appointed executive vice president of the Engineering and Programs Management Department in 2007; he was named chief executive officer and administrator of the Panama Canal Authority in September of 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, The leading interoceanic waterway that serves worldwide maritime commerce, the Panama Canal is undergoing an expansion that will double its capacity by 2015; the project creates a new lane of traffic along the canal by the construction of a new set of locks, and the expansion will allow more and larger ships to transit; and

**WHEREAS**, As leader of the project, Mr. Quijano heads a group of 500 professionals and is in charge of an integrated program management team that directs the entire expansion program; and

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**WHEREAS**, A highly respected leader in the engineering and maritime community who is widely praised for his exceptional accomplishments, Jorge Quijano is being presented with a Texas Industrial Engineering Lifetime Achievement Award by the Lamar University Engineering Department on February 15, 2013; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby congratulate Jorge L. Quijano on earning a Texas Industrial Engineering Lifetime Achievement Award from the Lamar University Engineering Department and proclaim him an Honorary Citizen of Texas; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of high esteem 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 February 4, 2013.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate