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H.R. No. 556

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Santos Lujan Jr. has made invaluable contributions
2 to the field of education during his years as a teacher and
3 administrator; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Lujan earned his diploma in 1967 from Big Spring
5 High School, where he was a saxophonist in the Steer Band, and he
6 went on to graduate with bachelor's and master's degrees in music
7 education from West Texas State University; and

8 WHEREAS, In 1972, Mr. Lujan began his career as an assistant
9 band director at Big Lake High School, and he soon advanced to head
10 director; he was named director of bands for Raymondville ISD in
11 1977, and over the course of his 15-year tenure in that position, he
12 was instrumental in the dramatic expansion of the program and in the
13 notable success of the Bearkat Band, which consistently earned
14 first division ratings at University Interscholastic League
15 concert and sight-reading contests as well as festival competitions
16 across the state; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Lujan was promoted to assistant superintendent
18 for business and operations in 1993, and four years later, he was
19 named superintendent of Raymondville ISD; he also served as
20 superintendent of the Kermit and Culberson County-Allamoore school
21 districts and as principal of Presidio High School; and

22 WHEREAS, Over the years, Mr. Lujan has received
23 well-deserved recognition for his achievements; he was selected for
24 the Region 18 Superintendent of the Year Award and was a finalist

1 for Texas Superintendent of the Year, and he was also inducted into
2 the Rio Grande Valley Band Director Hall of Fame in 2013; and

3 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Mr. Lujan is blessed with
4 the love and support of his wife, Mary Lou Lujan, and he takes great
5 pride in his two children, Santos and Adrianna, and two
6 granddaughters, Amorie and AnnaLee; and

7 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has devoted his professional
8 life to public education, and he has made a positive difference in
9 the lives of countless individuals; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
11 Legislature hereby commend Santos Lujan Jr. for his career in
12 education and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and,
13 be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for Mr. Lujan as an expression of high regard by the Texas
16 House of Representatives.