

By: Leach

H.R. No. 571

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Plano Chamber of Commerce has greatly benefited  
2 from the dynamic leadership of Al Valente in his role as chair of  
3 the organization's executive board; and

4           WHEREAS, A graduate of Leadership Plano, Mr. Valente has been  
5 a valued member of the chamber since 2011, and he has further  
6 distinguished himself as chair of the Community Relations  
7 Commission of the City of Plano, as a member of the board of  
8 ParkwayHills Baptist Church, and as a committee member for the  
9 Children's Advocacy Center of Collin County; and

10           WHEREAS, Mr. Valente holds a bachelor's degree in finance  
11 from Virginia Tech and an MBA from the Leonard N. Stern School of  
12 Business at New York University, and he has enjoyed a successful  
13 career in the financial industry that has spanned two decades; he  
14 served as vice president of Avatar Associates in New York City and  
15 as second vice president of Smith Barney in New Jersey and Plano  
16 before cofounding the Plano-based wealth management firm Bell &  
17 Valente, LLC, in 2008; and

18           WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Mr. Valente is blessed with  
19 the love and support of his wife, Hilary; the couple are the proud  
20 parents of three children; and

21           WHEREAS, The civic spirit demonstrated by Al Valente has  
22 significantly contributed to the vibrancy of the Plano community,  
23 and his vision for a prosperous and productive future will continue  
24 to benefit the city's residents for years to come; now, therefore,

1 be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
3 Legislature hereby commend Al Valente for his dedicated service as  
4 chair of the executive board of the Plano Chamber of Commerce and  
5 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it  
6 further

7           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
8 prepared for Mr. Valente as an expression of high regard by the  
9 Texas House of Representatives.