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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Frank Herrera Jr. is being recognized for his
- 2 notable accomplishments by the Westside Development Corporation at
- 3 the organization's 2015 Westside Honors Exitos en Nuestro Barrio
- 4 Gala, taking place in San Antonio on May 21; and
- 5 WHEREAS, A distinguished member of the legal profession,
- 6 Mr. Herrera was encouraged to become a lawyer by his parents, Frank
- 7 and Elvira Herrera; after earning a bachelor's degree in political
- 8 science and a law degree from St. Mary's University, he started his
- 9 own firm, and his parents refinanced their home to help him purchase
- 10 office furniture and equipment; he later entered into a partnership
- 11 with Phillip Hardberger, a former chief justice of the Texas Fourth
- 12 Court of Appeals and a mayor of San Antonio, and in 1983, he became
- 13 the sole owner of the Herrera Law Firm; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Herrera is also board chair and managing partner
- 15 of Valiente International Ventures, which supplies wheel and tire
- 16 assemblies to the Toyota plant in San Antonio; he has dedicated his
- 17 time, expertise, and resources to the Mexican American Legal
- 18 Defense and Educational Fund, the St. Mary's University Alumni
- 19 Association, and Central Catholic High School, and he has served as
- 20 chair of the board of the New America Alliance, which champions
- 21 Latino entrepreneurship; and
- WHEREAS, Among Mr. Herrera's many awards are the 2010 Pat
- 23 Maloney Sr. Public Service Award from the Northwest Democrats, the
- 24 2002 Hispanic Heritage Award for the Legal Profession from La

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- 1 Prensa, the 1994 La Feria Escolar Award for Commitment to
- 2 Education, and the 1992 Valerie Kantor Award for Extraordinary
- 3 Achievement from the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational
- 4 Fund; in 2005, he was the grand marshal of the annual Cesar Chavez
- 5 Foundation Parade; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Frank Herrera has made a meaningful difference in
- 7 the community through his worthwhile endeavors, and he is indeed
- 8 deserving of this significant accolade; now, therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 10 Legislature hereby congratulate Frank Herrera Jr. on his
- 11 recognition by the Westside Development Corporation at the 2015
- 12 Westside Honors Exitos en Nuestro Barrio Gala and extend to him
- 13 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for Mr. Herrera as an expression of high regard by the
- 16 Texas House of Representatives.