

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 65

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to honor the City of Laredo and its representatives and to recognize January 28, 2015, as Laredo Legislative Day at the Capitol; and

WHEREAS, Laredo was established in 1755 by Don Tomas Sanchez, and its history offers a compelling tale, as the town was forged by Spaniards, Indians, Mexicans, Texans, and Americans; a dynamic bilingual and bicultural community, this Texas city is proud of its Mexican roots; seven flags have flown over this unique city, and Laredo celebrates its dual historical and cultural ties throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, Situated on the banks of the Rio Grande, Laredo is now the 10th-largest city in Texas and the largest inland port on the southern United States border; it is one of the top four ports of commerce in the nation, and in 2010, the city handled 40 percent of all overland trade between the United States and Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Education plays a vital role in the life of Laredo, where three institutes of higher learning offer multiple educational options; Laredo Community College was first established in 1947 on the 100-year-old grounds of the historic Fort McIntosh and now boasts two campuses to better serve the entire city; Texas A&M International University has been educating local Laredo leaders for the past four decades, and the new University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Laredo Extension Campus is thriving and offers medical students practical experience through interlocal agreements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby extend best wishes for a productive and enjoyable Laredo Legislative Day at the Capitol; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the citizens of Laredo as a memento of this occasion.

Zaffirini

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on January 28, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate