

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 344

WHEREAS, Lucy Moreno of Houston concluded her tenure as president of the Saint Patrick Catholic Church Young at Heart senior group in 2014; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Moreno ably led the group during her three terms as president, and her work has been a blessing in the lives of many area senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, A longtime, dedicated community activist, Mrs. Moreno began her work at the age of 14, when she joined the Junior League of United Latin American Citizens; she later became part of its parent organization, the League of United Latin American Citizens, and went on to run voter registration drives and to participate in the boycott of grapes in support of farm workers as a member of the Political Association of Spanish-Speaking Organizations; after the Mexican American Education Council was formed in 1970, she campaigned with that group for the establishment of bilingual programs and magnet schools in the Houston Independent School District as well as for the increased presence of Mexican American teachers and counselors; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Moreno has also devoted significant time and energy to organizations that benefit women and senior citizens; active in the League of Women Voters and the Young Women's Christian Association, she acted as a delegate at several national YWCA conferences; moreover, in 1971, she helped organize La Conferencia de Mujeres por la Raza, also known as the National Chicana Conference, and she has worked with Project FAROS,

a program designed to raise awareness of the risks of cancer and offer bilingual access to health care services; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, the Leonel Castillo Community Center in Houston recognized her outstanding civic engagement by naming a room in her honor; and

WHEREAS, Through her myriad endeavors, Lucy Moreno has contributed to building a more inclusive, caring, and vibrant community, and her commitment to social justice has earned her the respect and admiration of all who are privileged to know her; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby commend Lucy Moreno for her dedicated service to the Young at Heart senior group at Saint Patrick Catholic Church and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Mrs. Moreno as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Garcia

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 9, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate