

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 720

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to welcome Michael K. Young to Texas and extend congratulations to him on assuming the prestigious position of president of Texas A&M University; and

WHEREAS, Michael Young brings to the position of president more than three decades of teaching, research, public service, and leadership in higher education; and

WHEREAS, He most recently served as president of the University of Washington, and formerly served as president and distinguished professor of law at the University of Utah, as dean of the George Washington University Law School, and as director for Japanese legal studies and law professor at Columbia University; and

WHEREAS, President Young is an internationally recognized legal scholar who graduated summa cum laude from Brigham Young University, and received a law degree from Harvard Law School, where he served on the *Harvard Law Review* and graduated magna cum laude; and

WHEREAS, President Young is committed to public service; he has served as a law clerk to Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist of the United States Supreme Court, has chaired the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom, and has pursued agreements for the United States as deputy legal advisor, deputy undersecretary and ambassador for trade and environmental affairs in the United States Department of State; and

WHEREAS, As head of Texas A&M University, President Young now leads a student body and faculty who have the greatest respect

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for his expertise and administrative talent and who look forward to joining him in his efforts to shape the university's future and in his quest for solutions to the challenges ahead; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby extend sincere congratulations to President Michael K. Young and best wishes to his wife, Marti, as he assumes the position of 25th president of Texas A&M University; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in honor of this special occasion.

Schwertner, Bettencourt

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 7, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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