

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 970**

**WHEREAS**, Linda Robles Cardenas is retiring from the San Felipe Del Rio Consolidated Independent School District on June 5, 2015, concluding a rewarding career in public education that has spanned 35 years; and

**WHEREAS**, A native of Del Rio, Mrs. Cardenas graduated with honors from Del Rio High School in 1973 and went on to receive her bachelor's degree in education from Angelo State University in 1977; she returned to her hometown and taught for two years at Lamar Elementary before deciding to resume her studies at Angelo State and earning a bachelor's degree in business administration; after spending two years with an accounting firm in Dallas, she decided that her true calling lay in the classroom; and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Cardenas was hired as a kindergarten teacher at Travis Elementary School in 1982, and during her 17 years there, she won the respect and admiration of her colleagues for her dedication to helping her students excel; her reputation for excellence in her work led to her reassignment to Dr. Lonnie Green Elementary in 1999, and two years later, she transferred to Buena Vista Elementary, where she has enjoyed teaching for the past 14 years; and

**WHEREAS**, This talented educator was named the Walmart Teacher of the Year in 2005, following her nomination by a principal and a parent of one of her students, and the award was accompanied by a donation to Buena Vista Elementary; and

**WHEREAS**, Over the course of her 35 years of teaching, more than 700 young Texans have benefited from Mrs. Cardenas's guidance and influence, and she takes pride in counting physicians,

attorneys, engineers, television writers, community activists, and fellow educators among those who once passed through her classroom; in all her endeavors, she has enjoyed the love and support of her husband, Ruben G. Cardenas, and her children, Lauren and Ruben; and

**WHEREAS**, Through her outstanding efforts as an educator, Linda Cardenas has helped her students develop a foundation for a successful future, and she may indeed reflect with satisfaction on her achievements as she embarks on her well-deserved retirement; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby commend Linda Robles Cardenas for her service to students of the Felipe Del Rio Consolidated Independent School District and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued happiness and fulfillment in the years to come; and, be it further

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

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 25, 2015.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate