By: Martinez   H.R. No. 278

R E S O L U T I O N

1   WHEREAS, Toribio Garza Jr. retired from the Texas Department
2 of Transportation on June 30, 2017, drawing to a close an
3 outstanding tenure that spanned three decades; and
4   WHEREAS, Mr. Garza earned his bachelor's degree in civil
5 engineering from The University of Texas at Austin in 1986 and went
6 to work that year designing projects for TxDOT; a licensed
7 professional engineer since 1991, he held a number of positions in
8 Corpus Christi and the Rio Grande Valley before becoming the
9 director of maintenance for the Pharr District in 1999; he
10 continued to advance through the ranks, earning promotion to deputy
11 director of the department's maintenance division in 2007 and to
12 division director two years later; in 2013, following a brief
13 retirement, he returned to TxDOT and was named district engineer of
14 the Pharr District; and
15   WHEREAS, Over the course of his career with the agency,
16 Mr. Garza led numerous maintenance efforts, such as conducting
17 district peer reviews, managing state facility and security needs,
18 and directing statewide emergency operations; he also oversaw the
19 department's pavement management plan, a program that garnered the
20 2011 Global Road Achievement Award from the International Road
21 Federation; and
22   WHEREAS, Toribio Garza's dedication, professionalism, and
23 forward-thinking leadership have greatly benefited his fellow
24 Texans, and he may indeed take well-deserved pride in his

1 exceptional record of accomplishment; now, therefore, be it

2   RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas

3 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Toribio Garza

4 Jr. on his retirement from the Texas Department of Transportation

5 and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be

6 it further

7   RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

8 prepared for Mr. Garza as an expression of high regard by the Texas

9 House of Representatives.