## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 155

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Houston Hispanic Forum on the occasion of its 31st annual Career and Education Day, which is taking place on February 18, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Career and Education Day is an effort to lower the rates of students who drop out of high school each year and an opportunity to educate students and parents about the many academic and career pathways available beyond high school; approximately 13,000 students from districts throughout the region take part in the yearly event; and

WHEREAS, More than 100 representatives from colleges, universities, trade schools, nonprofit organizations, and private corporations from around the world attend Career and Education Day to showcase an array of career or collegiate options; and

WHEREAS, This year, the Houston Hispanic Forum has partnered with a number of community organizations to provide specialized services to students; attendees can visit a mentorship section to connect with mentors from their local communities, and a Newcomers Circle has been established to provide support to young refugees and students who have only recently arrived in the area; and

WHEREAS, The Houston Hispanic Forum is committed to

WHEREAS, The Houston Hispanic Forum is committed to empowering and inspiring students of the Lone Star State, and Career and Education Day will help young Texans gain the knowledge they need to succeed in our modern society; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend all associated with the Houston Hispanic Forum for their efforts to help young Texans build rewarding paths for the future and extend to all participants best wishes for a successful 2017 Career and Education Day; and, be it further

 ${\tt RESOLVED}$  , That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the forum as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Garcia

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 13, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate