

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 355

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas takes great pride in recognizing Senator Eddie Lucio Jr., who has been selected as the 2017 Border Texan of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Since 1989, the Border Texan of the Year Committee has annually honored individuals for their contributions, support, and advocacy on behalf of residents of the Rio Grande Valley and for their commitment to the betterment of South Texas communities; and

WHEREAS, For 40 years, Senator Lucio has been a voice for the people of the Rio Grande Valley; he is being honored for his tireless advocacy on behalf of veterans and of children with disabilities and for spearheading legislation that has strengthened the local economy, promoted equity in public schools, and greatly expanded higher education opportunities in the region; and

WHEREAS, Senator Lucio is among the longest-serving members of the Texas Senate; he chairs the Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations and serves as vice-chair of the Senate Committee on Education; he has been honored by the Combined Law Enforcement Associations of Texas for his work aiding the families of fallen police officers; and

WHEREAS, Eddie Lucio is respected by his colleagues for his conscientious approach to legislative leadership and for working across the aisle to ensure the best possible outcomes for all Texans; he is indeed deserving of recognition for his success in representing the citizens of the Rio Grande Valley and Texans across the state; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend Senator Eddie Lucio Jr. for his many contributions to the Rio Grande Valley and the State of Texas and congratulate him on being named the 2017 Border Texan of the Year; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Hinojosa, Zaffirini

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 6, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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