SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 525

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Mayor Sylvester Turner, who is being honored with a Political Award from the Acres Home Chamber for Business and Economic Development, Incorporated, at its 28th annual Awards Banquet on March 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, The Acres Home Chamber for Business and Economic Development was founded in 1994 to promote the economic vitality of the Acres Homes community; the nonprofit organization provides a variety of programs, seminars, workshops, and professional development opportunities to the community with the goal of helping individuals, small businesses, and entrepreneurs continue on paths to success; and

continue on paths to success; and WHEREAS, Each year, the organization hosts an awards banquet to honor area citizens who deserve recognition for their exceptional work on behalf of the community; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Sylvester Turner is a beloved Houstonian who was born and raised in the Acres Homes community; in addition to serving as Houston's mayor, he has championed a number of issues on behalf of his community and the state as a member of the Texas House of Representatives; during his 26 years as a legislator, Mr. Turner has gained widespread recognition for his uncompromising values and his insight and effectiveness as a lawmaker; he was responsible for making the state's Employee Retirement System actuarially sound and for the extension of the LITE-UP Texas program; he was named one of the state's Ten Best Legislators by Texas Monthly; and

Legislators by *Texas Monthly*; and WHEREAS, A truly exemplary citizen, Mayor Turner represents the highest ideals of civic engagement, and he can indeed take pride in his outstanding public service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend Sylvester Turner for his exceptional leadership as mayor of Houston and as a state legislator and congratulate him on receiving a Political Award from the Acres Home Chamber for Business and Economic Development; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem 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 March 29, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate