

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 527

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Bennett Tubbs for his pioneering work in bus transportation services; and

WHEREAS, Bennett Tubbs is the president and owner of BET Services, Incorporated, an umbrella corporation serving as an independent agent for Greyhound bus transportation services; he was the first African American to own an independent Trailways agency in Texas; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tubbs began his professional career while in high school by serving as a part-time porter for Greyhound-Trailways in Forrest City, Arkansas; during his studies at Philander Smith College, he continued to work part-time for the company, and in 1971, he was promoted to night ticket agent and accounting clerk, making him the first African American to sell bus tickets in Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, After his college graduation, he moved to Dallas, where he was hired as an internal auditor for the Trailways corporate office and became only the second African American in the country to hold that position in the company; and

WHEREAS, In 1979, he became the owner of BET Services, Incorporated, an independent Trailways agency which became a part of Greyhound in 1985; in the years since he acquired the agency, its revenues have increased more than tenfold, and he has instituted such initiatives as offering charge accounts to trucking companies; it is truly fitting that he receive special recognition for his many accomplishments in the transportation industry; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend Bennett Tubbs on his exceptional achievements and extend to him best wishes for continued success in all his endeavors; and, be it further

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

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate