SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 560

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Mayor Sylvester Turner of Houston, who is being honored at the 2017 Career and Recovery Resources, Incorporated, Barrier Breaker Luncheon on June 27, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Career and Recovery Services, Incorporated, is a nonprofit multiservice United Way agency whose mission is to help individuals identify and overcome barriers to employment; and

WHEREAS, Sylvester Turner is an honors graduate of the University of Houston and Harvard Law School, and he practiced law at Fulbright and Jaworski before establishing the Houston law firm of Barnes and Turner in 1983; and

WHEREAS, He became the 62nd mayor of Houston on January 1, 2016, after having served in the Texas House of Representatives for more than 25 years; over the course of his service to the people of House District 139, he worked diligently to attract doctors to underserved areas and to increase funding for mental health services and for legal aid for poor Texans; and

WHEREAS, He served as a member of the Legislative Budget Board, as vice chair of the House Appropriations Committee, and as chair of the House State Affairs Committee; he has also chaired the Texas Legislative Black Caucus and the Greater Houston Area Legislative Delegation; it is truly fitting that he receive special recognition for his achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend Mayor Sylvester Turner on his many contributions to the people of Houston and our state 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 esteem from the Texas Senate.

Whitmire

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 3, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate