SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 583

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Morgan's Wonderland for its exceptional work in support of those in the community with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Morgan's Wonderland is a theme park created by the Gordon Hartman Family Foundation to promote inclusion and to help those with special needs fully enjoy the outdoors; the first theme park of its kind, Morgan's Wonderland is located on 25 acres in Northeast San Antonio and offers family fun for people of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, This unique park is named in honor of Morgan Hartman, whose soaring spirit in the face of physical and cognitive challenges inspired her parents to create a haven, not only for those with special needs, but also for their families, caregivers, and friends; and

WHEREAS, The park is completely wheelchair accessible and features more than 25 elements, including rides, playgrounds, gardens, a catch-and-release fishing lake, an amphitheater, and picnic areas; soon to open in 2017 is Morgan's Inspiration Island, the world's first ultra-accessible splash park; the park also works closely with the Children's Rehabilitation Institute of TeletonUSA and with South Texas Regional Adaptive and Paralympic Sports to offer further opportunities for those with special needs; and

WHEREAS, Another of the park's special offerings is the Academy at Morgan's Wonderland, a nationally accredited, nonprofit learning center that enables special needs students to achieve their maximum potential; it is truly fitting that this

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exceptional theme park receive special recognition for its dedication to its mission and for its great success; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend Morgan's Wonderland for its commitment to inclusion and opportunity for all and extend to the Gordon Hartman Family Foundation best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

Campbell

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 12, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate