SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 610

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Houston Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, which is celebrating 40 years of service at an anniversary luncheon on April 26, 2017; and

WHEREAS, The Houston Hispanic Chamber of Commerce was established on March 2, 1977, by a small group of business leaders who sought to elevate Hispanic-owned businesses and advocate for the interests of the Hispanic business community; today, the chamber's growing membership is comprised of numerous entrepreneurs, executives, and firms from an array of industries; and

WHEREAS, For the last 40 years, the chamber has served as a catalyst for local economic growth by connecting members with a strong network of local, national, and international partnerships and introducing them to new opportunities for business and commerce; and

WHEREAS, In addition to serving Houston area businesses and entrepreneurs, the chamber advocates for the broader Hispanic community at the local, state, and national levels on such challenging issues as immigration reform, education, and health care; and

WHEREAS, Under the current leadership of Dr. Laura Murillo, and with the support of a skilled staff and an active board of directors, the Houston Hispanic Chamber of Commerce continues to serve as a unified voice for its members and the Hispanic community in Houston; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend all associated with the Houston Hispanic Chamber of Commerce for their work empowering Hispanic business leaders and congratulate them on 40 years of success; and, be it further

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

Garcia

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 11, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate