

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 627

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Mark L. Madrid, who is stepping down as president and chief executive officer of the Greater Austin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce after three and one-half years of exemplary leadership; and

WHEREAS, Mark Madrid has gained widespread recognition for his diligent work as a Hispanic leader on behalf of Texas communities; he has served in advisory and leadership positions for educational and civic organizations in both Houston and Austin, and in 2014, he was appointed to the Texas Diversity Council Central Texas Advisory Board; as a successful businessperson, he is highly regarded for the enthusiasm with which he approaches projects and for his expertise, and as an influential philanthropist, he is admired for his passion and grassroots focus; and

WHEREAS, A truly distinguished community leader, Mark Madrid has been honored on numerous occasions for his contributions to the fields of finance, education, media, and the arts; he was recently named one of four inaugural Texas Modern Hispanic Gentlemen by *Texas Monthly* and Ketel One, and he used this initiative to establish the Mark L. Madrid Scholarships for deserving business majors at The University of Texas and at the University of Notre Dame; and

WHEREAS, Mark Madrid is fiercely dedicated to the enrichment of communities in Texas and around the nation; he is leaving the Greater Austin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce to serve as executive director of the Latino Business Action Network, a

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national organization based in Palo Alto, California; his leadership and many accomplishments on behalf of Texas communities will not be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend Mark L. Madrid on his many contributions to the state and on his outstanding leadership of the Greater Austin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and extend to him best wishes 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.

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 18, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate