

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 658

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dr. Tarron J. Richardson for his outstanding service as DeSoto city manager; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Richardson began his distinguished career in DeSoto in 2009 as assistant city manager, after holding a number of city leadership positions in Richmond, Virginia, and Coatesville, Pennsylvania; he was named DeSoto city manager and chief executive officer in 2011; and

WHEREAS, Under his leadership, the City of DeSoto's financial health and stability significantly improved, and during challenging economic circumstances, the city was able to maintain a constant tax rate for four consecutive years; the city also received two bond-rating upgrades and achieved unprecedented growth in its fund reserves and revenue sources; and

WHEREAS, Over a three-year period, Dr. Richardson has been instrumental in implementing a 1.75 percent tax reduction and in increasing the city's contribution rate to city employees' retirement plans; he has also played an important role in helping multiple city departments receive national and state accreditation awards; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary public servant, Dr. Richardson is respected and admired by his colleagues and area citizens, and his presence as DeSoto city manager will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby commend Dr. Tarron J. Richardson on his many contributions to the City of DeSoto 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.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 29, 2019.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate