SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 705

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Angela-Jo Touza-Medina, who is stepping down as executive director of YWCA Greater Austin after four years of exemplary leadership; and

WHEREAS, A passionate advocate for marginalized populations, Angela-Jo Touza-Medina has worked diligently to open doors for the vulnerable and to foster grassroots change at the local level; and

WHEREAS, Her wide-ranging experience includes serving in leadership roles for such organizations as the Immigrant Services Network of Austin, the Mayor's Taskforce on Institutional Racism and Systemic Inequalities, and the City of Austin's Joint Inclusion Committee; and

WHEREAS, During Angela's tenure as executive director of YWCA Greater Austin, the organization has grown by 79 percent; she is credited with expanding an array of services in Travis County to benefit residents in seven other Central Texas counties; and

WHEREAS, An award-winning leader for grassroots change, Angela-Jo Touza-Medina has shaped an impressive career in social justice as a believer in each person's ability to catalyze positive change through self-reflection, accountability, and action; she has made a difference in the lives of countless individuals, and her presence at YWCA Greater Austin will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby commend Angela-Jo Touza-Medina for her many contributions to the community and her outstanding leadership of YWCA Greater Austin and extend to her best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her 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 May 7, 2019.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate