

By: Fierro

H.R. No. 422

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Xavier De La Torre, superintendent of the Ysleta
2 Independent School District, has greatly distinguished himself as
3 an educator and civic leader; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. De La Torre began his career as a teacher,
5 coach, and principal in various California school districts and
6 went on to enjoy a successful tenure as associate superintendent of
7 human resources and chief labor negotiator for the Elk Grove
8 Unified School District in Sacramento; he subsequently became the
9 superintendent of schools for Socorro ISD in El Paso, and in that
10 role, he led the district to earn a number of accolades and
11 spearheaded the passage of a \$297 million facilities bond;
12 returning to California, he served as superintendent of schools in
13 the Santa Clara County Office of Education; and

14 WHEREAS, Since assuming his current position in March 2014,
15 this esteemed administrator has shepherded Ysleta ISD into a new
16 era, overseeing the launch of the Young Women's Leadership Academy,
17 the expansion of the international program and business-community
18 partnerships, and the creation of a new technology initiative;
19 moreover, he was instrumental in passing a \$430.5 million bond that
20 provided funds for a wide range of campus projects; and

21 WHEREAS, Dr. De La Torre has received many accolades in the
22 course of his career, including Coach of the Year and Teacher of the
23 Year honors, as well as the Edgar L. Morphet Dissertation Award from
24 the International Council of Professors of Educational Leadership;

1 he holds a bachelor's degree from California State University,
2 Chico, a master's degree from the University of San Francisco, and a
3 doctorate from the University of California, Davis; and

4 WHEREAS, A strong and dynamic leader, Xavier De La Torre has
5 made a positive difference in the lives of countless young Texans,
6 and he is indeed deserving of recognition for his invaluable
7 contributions to the El Paso community and beyond; now, therefore,
8 be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
10 Legislature hereby commend Dr. Xavier De La Torre for his many
11 accomplishments and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued
12 success with his important work; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for Dr. De La Torre as an expression of high regard by the
15 Texas House of Representatives.