RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The El Paso Hispanic Chamber of Commerce has made
- 2 many vital contributions to the city's business community over the
- 3 past three decades; and
- WHEREAS, Since its establishment in the early 1990s, the
- 5 chamber has been an essential resource for minority and women-owned
- 6 businesses in El Paso, offering programs and support to help them
- 7 grow their enterprises and achieve success; and
- 8 WHEREAS, The chamber has two offices, one in downtown El Paso
- 9 and the other near Fort Bliss, and its 18 bilingual full-time staff
- 10 members are deeply versed in the complexities and sensitivities of
- 11 the El Paso market; since 2003, the organization has served more
- 12 than 67,000 clients, helped start more than 30,000 businesses, and
- 13 assisted over 34,000 businesses in staying open; it has also been
- 14 instrumental in the creation of more than 44,400 jobs, and its
- 15 impact on the El Paso economy is conservatively estimated to be more
- 16 than \$1.1 billion; and
- WHEREAS, Among its accolades, the chamber has been honored as
- 18 Large Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of the Year three times by the
- 19 U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and its CEO, Cindy
- 20 Ramos-Davidson, was recognized as USHCC Chamber Executive of the
- 21 Year for three years in a row; the Texas Association of Mexican
- 22 American Chambers of Commerce named the El Paso Chamber as Large
- 23 Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of the Year on five occasions, and the
- 24 chamber took TAMACC's top prize in 2015; with support from the

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- 1 chamber, individual members have received recognition on multiple
- 2 occasions from the Minority Enterprise Development Week awards
- 3 program; and
- WHEREAS, The El Paso Hispanic Chamber of Commerce plays an
- 5 integral role in the prosperity and growth of the region, and the
- 6 organization is indeed deserving of recognition for its long record
- 7 of success in supporting a diverse business community; now,
- 8 therefore, be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 10 Legislature hereby commend the El Paso Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
- 11 for its contributions to the business community and extend to all
- 12 those associated with the chamber sincere best wishes for continued
- 13 success in their important work; and, be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 15 prepared for the El Paso Hispanic Chamber of Commerce as an
- 16 expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 479 was adopted by the House on April 9, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House