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H.R. No. 925

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Austin have greatly benefited from the
2 dedicated service of James "Jimmy" Flannigan, who concluded his
3 tenure on the Austin City Council on January 7, 2021; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Flannigan, a native of San Antonio, moved to
5 Austin to attend The University of Texas, where he earned
6 bachelor's and master's degrees in business administration; he
7 launched a small web development firm, Site Street, and went on to
8 serve the business community as president of the Austin LGBT
9 Chamber of Commerce, in addition to serving as regional chair of the
10 chamber's national counterpart; he also contributed his time and
11 insight to the work of the Austin Chamber of Commerce's
12 Transportation Committee, and he cofounded and led the Northwest
13 Austin Coalition, which initiated the successful Anderson Mill Road
14 Corridor Study; and

15 WHEREAS, In 2016, Mr. Flannigan became the first resident of
16 Williamson County to serve on the Austin City Council when he won
17 election as the representative for District 6; as the first openly
18 gay man to serve on that body, he helped make tremendous strides for
19 the LGBTQ community by establishing the City of Austin's LGBTQ
20 Quality of Life Advisory Commission and the city's first LGBTQ
21 employee group, known as the Stonewall Equality Employee Network;
22 emphasizing the need to put progress ahead of partisan politics, he
23 played a key role on the council as it addressed issues such as
24 economic development, affordable housing, traffic relief, public

1 safety, and fiscal sustainability, with special concern for the
2 needs of his constituents in Northwest Austin; and

3 WHEREAS, During his time in office, Mr. Flannigan was chair
4 of the City Council's Judicial Committee and vice chair of its
5 Mobility Committee; among other roles, he has served on a number of
6 regional planning boards, including the Capital Area Metropolitan
7 Planning Organization's Transportation Policy Board and the
8 Capital Area Council of Governments' Economic Development District
9 Board, where he provided further leadership as an executive
10 committee member and as chair of the Community Advancement Network;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Over the past four years, Jimmy Flannigan has
13 demonstrated a deep commitment to building a better future for all
14 Austinites, and he may indeed reflect with pride on his many
15 significant accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
17 Legislature hereby honor Jimmy Flannigan for his dedicated service
18 on the Austin City Council and extend to him sincere best wishes in
19 all his endeavors; and, be it further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
21 prepared for Mr. Flannigan as an expression of high regard by the
22 Texas House of Representatives.