

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Justin Wade Perez is stepping down as chief of staff
2 in the office of State Representative Celia Israel in 2021, drawing
3 to a close a notable tenure in the state legislature that has
4 spanned eight years and five legislative sessions; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Perez first served as a legislative aide in the
6 office of State Representative Mary Gonzalez during the 83rd
7 Legislature; he joined Representative Israel's office the
8 following session, serving as an aide and as director of operations
9 before being named chief of staff in 2018; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Perez has worked with dozens of members of the
11 House Democratic Caucus, and in the 86th Legislature he served on
12 the staff of the first-ever Texas House LGBTQ Caucus; during his
13 tenure with Representative Israel, he has organized daily floor
14 briefings, prepared memos and vote recommendations, and served as a
15 liaison to other offices and officials, and his committed efforts
16 have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues; and

17 WHEREAS, Since 2013, Mr. Perez has also served as a political
18 consultant in more than 50 races, from state house to judge, and in
19 2020 he served as deputy executive director of the Texas House
20 Democratic Campaign Committee; he has been a member of the
21 Fundraising Committee of Con Mi Madre, a DACA clinic volunteer and
22 application fundraiser, a delegate to the Democratic National
23 Convention, and a member of the Planned Parenthood community board,
24 and he has served Travis County as a Democratic Party precinct

1 chair, elections clerk, and voter registrar; and

2 WHEREAS, A graduate of The University of Texas at Austin,
3 Mr. Perez holds a bachelor's degree in government and another in
4 communication studies; he will soon embark on a new chapter,
5 joining the staff of Future Now; and

6 WHEREAS, For five legislative sessions, this esteemed public
7 employee has performed his duties with skill and dedication, and he
8 may indeed take great pride in his many achievements as he pursues
9 the challenges and opportunities of a new position; now, therefore,
10 be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
12 Legislature hereby commend Justin Wade Perez for his service to the
13 Texas Legislature and extend to him sincere best wishes for
14 continued success in all his endeavors; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for Mr. Perez as an expression of high regard by the Texas
17 House of Representatives.

Israel

H.R. No. 1548

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1548 was adopted by the House on May 29, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House