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H.R. No. 99

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Tina Cannon is retiring as president and chief
2 executive officer of the Austin LGBT Chamber of Commerce on
3 September 12, 2025, drawing to a close more than a half decade of
4 exemplary service to the chamber; and

5 WHEREAS, A dedicated advocate for underrepresented
6 communities, Ms. Cannon joined the Austin LGBT Chamber in May 2019,
7 and under her able leadership, the chamber's membership has grown
8 by over 500 percent; she also played an instrumental role in
9 launching the Pride in Local Music Festival and expanding the
10 annual Business of Pride Awards, and she led a number of
11 high-profile intercity visits that amplified the voices of local
12 LGBTQ+ businesses at the national and international levels; in
13 addition, she oversaw the establishment of the Diversity & Ethnic
14 Chamber Alliance, and she spearheaded the Regional Equity in
15 Economic Development Plan, which promotes resilience, equity, and
16 inclusive investment across Central Texas; and

17 WHEREAS, Ms. Cannon has brought to her role a wealth of
18 experience in public service; she previously served as a senior
19 policy analyst for a member of the Austin City Council, and in 2017,
20 she became the vice president of local government relations at the
21 Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce; and

22 WHEREAS, A graduate of Texas State University, Ms. Cannon
23 holds a degree in accounting, and she was formerly employed as an
24 auditor; since 2008, she has pursued a number of entrepreneurial

endeavors, and she has launched startups such as PetsMD and Napkin Venture; she has also served as the entrepreneur-in-residence for the Texas State University Applied Entrepreneurship Program; in 2024, she cofounded PIX Sports Gear with her spouse, Christi Grider, and their business partner, Satish Kodukula; and

WHEREAS, Through her vision, professionalism, and commitment to excellence, Tina Cannon has greatly benefited the LGBTQ+ business community in Austin, and her contributions will continue to be appreciated for many years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate Tina Cannon on her retirement as president and chief executive officer of the Austin LGBT Chamber of Commerce and extend to her sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Ms. Cannon as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.