

By: Flores

H.R. No. 348

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Bertha Rendon Delgado retired as a member of the
2 City of Austin Community Development Commission on February 1,
3 2025, following nearly a decade of dedicated service; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of East Austin, Bertha Rendon Delgado grew
5 up in a family deeply rooted in activism and civic engagement; she
6 became its first member to attend college when she enrolled at
7 Huston-Tillotson University, and in 2012, she took over as
8 president of the East Town Lake Citizens Neighborhood Association;
9 in that role, she has dedicated herself to advocating for residents
10 of the East Side and preserving murals and other elements of Mexican
11 American culture; along the way, she has participated in protests
12 and taken to the front lines to advocate for social issues such as
13 criminal justice, affordable housing, economic opportunity, and
14 women's rights; and

15 WHEREAS, In 2016, Ms. Delgado joined the City of Austin
16 Community Development Commission, where she has continued to
17 champion housing solutions benefiting residents of the East Side;
18 over the course of her tenure, she has also distinguished herself in
19 her work as founder of Arte Texas and Save East Austin Schools, and
20 she has held prominent leadership and community service roles as
21 president of LULAC Council No. 4425, as a Travis County elections
22 deputy judge and deputy registrar, as a member of La Raza
23 Roundtable, and as a community liaison for The University of Texas;
24 moreover, she served as chair of Austin ISD's Equity Advisory

1 Committee and as a member of its Art Task Force Committee and she
2 has given generously of her time and talents to many other
3 organizations, such as the State Tejano Democrats and Tejano Music
4 Alliance of Texas; and

5 WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous honors, Ms. Delgado was
6 named Woman of the Year for the State of Texas by LULAC in 2022 and
7 the organization's District 7 Austin Woman of the Year in 2021 and
8 2022; her accolades further include the 2023 Emma S. Barrientos
9 Mexican American Cultural Center Excellence Award for Service and
10 the 2024 *Austin Woman Magazine* Change Maker of the Year award; and

11 WHEREAS, Through her myriad civic contributions, Bertha
12 Rendon Delgado has had a positive and profound impact in the lives
13 of countless fellow Austinites, and it is a privilege to join in
14 recognizing an individual who has long been a force for good in her
15 community; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
17 Legislature hereby honor Bertha Rendon Delgado on her retirement
18 from the City of Austin Community Development Commission and extend
19 to her sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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