

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 645

WHEREAS, Merced Housing Texas is celebrating its 30th anniversary in 2025; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1995, Merced Housing Texas was created from a collaboration between civic leader Maria Berriozábal and nine congregations of Catholic women who were inspired by a collective mission to address housing justice in San Antonio; the organization serves low-income families by advocating for affordable communities, offering home repairs, and connecting residents with other financial, educational, and wellness services; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, Merced has expanded its reach by acquiring and developing 14 multifamily buildings and apartments across seven Texas cities to create affordable housing; in addition, the group has furthered its impact by distributing thousands of units of food to residents; and

WHEREAS, Demonstrating a steadfast commitment to fostering healthy communities by providing quality, affordable housing paired with supportive services, Merced Housing Texas plays an important role in improving the well-being of many citizens of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 89th Texas Legislature, hereby commemorate the 30th anniversary of Merced Housing Texas and extend to all those affiliated with the organization sincere best wishes for continued success with their important work; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Merced Housing Texas as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 31, 2025.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate