

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1813

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Antonio and Rachel Flores.

WHEREAS, It is appropriate during this annual Hispanic Day on the Hill to recognize the good deeds and community involvement of Antonio and Rachel Flores of Hutchinson; and

WHEREAS, Antonio and Rachel Flores own and operate a restaurant in Hutchinson, the Anchor Inn. In 1997 they were awarded the Greater Hutchinson Convention and Visitor's Bureau Tourism Award as Business of the Year. In addition to having been successful in their own business, they have been a catalyst for the redevelopment of downtown Hutchinson and in the establishment of antique dealers in the south Hutchinson business area; and

WHEREAS, Antonio and Rachel have worked as a team to operate their business. Antonio was a cofounder of the Hutchinson Cinco De Mayo Charitable Trust, a member of the Community Improvement Commission, served as a member of the Hutchinson Community Foundation, as cofounder of the Old Towne Merchants Association, as past president of the American G I Forum and as a member of the board of directors of the Bank of Kansas, south Hutchinson. In 1996 he was given the Buena Gente "El Patron" Community Service Award at the Hispanic Leadership Summit, and in 1999 received the Sam Walton Business Leader Award; and

WHEREAS, Antonio and Rachel were married in 1961 and started their restaurant in 1977. They are active members of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in south Hutchinson. They are the parents of six children and have 19 grandchildren: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That we congratulate and commend Antonio and Rachel Flores for the success they have had both in their marriage and business, for their promotion of business and civic activities in Hutchinson and for the example of excellence they have been to the Hispanic community; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Flores at the Anchor Inn, 128 S. Main, Hutchinson, Kansas 67501.

Senate Resolution No. 1813 was sponsored by Senator Dave Kerr.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

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*President of the Senate.*

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*Secretary of the Senate.*