



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Government & Public Affairs

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Jeff Coyle

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: City Wide

SUBJECT:

Resolution recognizing and celebrating the devoted service and community leadership of State Representative Joe Farias, District 118.

SUMMARY:

City Council wishes to recognize Representative Joe Farias for his legislative efforts on behalf of the City of San Antonio and to offer appreciation for his continued efforts in support of the community.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Representative Joe Farias, a U.S. Army Veteran, has served the citizens of San Antonio for decades, both as a legislator and as a community volunteer. Representative Farias served Texas House District 118 in the State Legislature for five sessions from 2007-2015. Among his many achievements, Representative Farias introduced legislation to protect citizens against predatory payday lending, increase the number of Texas children that qualify for the Children's Health Insurance Program, reduce juvenile crime, and recognize Texas A&M University-San Antonio as a stand-alone campus. In addition, Representative Farias is a key advocate for veterans. His advocacy during the 84th legislative session helped to preserve the Hazelwood Act, the Texas State program that provides tuition assistance to veterans and members of their families.

Representative Joe Farias retired from the Texas House in August 2015.

ISSUE:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES:

This is a ceremonial item; therefore there are no alternatives.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This is a ceremonial item; therefore there is no fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION:

This is a ceremonial item; therefore there are no recommendations.