By: Pena H.R. No. 151

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, A strong, effective system of free public education 2 for all youth is essential to our democratic system of government;

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WHEREAS, The United States has made considerable progress in the social, technological, and scientific fields due to our system of free and universal public education and to our qualified and dedicated teachers, who have equipped their students with the skills necessary to achieve their full potential; and

WHEREAS, Given the pivotal role that educators play in the lives of young people, the National Education Association and the National Parent Teacher Association are recognizing May 2-8, 2004, as Teacher Appreciation Week; at this time, it is a pleasure to honor an outstanding Texas educator, Norma L. Rydl, for her exemplary contributions in the field of education; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of The University of Texas--Pan American, Ms. Rydl held positions with El Paso ISD and McAllen ISD before transferring to Edinburg Consolidated ISD; she currently teaches at De Zavala Elementary School, where she has touched the lives of countless young people during her 17-year tenure; and

WHEREAS, This notable woman has been active in a host of worthy organizations, including the Texas Classroom Teachers Association and The University of Texas--Pan American Alumni Association board; she also serves as chair of her grade level and chair of the Campus Social Committee, and she is a member of the

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- 1 Campus Discipline Committee; and
- WHEREAS, Representative Aaron Peña, in celebration of
- 3 Teacher Appreciation Week, has appropriately recognized this
- 4 remarkable educator for her steadfast commitment to public
- 5 education; now, therefore, be it
- 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
- 7 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby honor Norma L. Rydl for her
- 8 exemplary efforts in behalf of her students and extend to her
- 9 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for Ms. Rydl as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 12 House of Representatives.