

R E S O L U T I O N

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

9 WHEREAS, Given the pivotal role that educators play in the
10 lives of young people, the National Education Association and the
11 National Parent Teacher Association are recognizing May 2-8, 2004,
12 as Teacher Appreciation Week; at this time, it is a pleasure to
13 honor an outstanding Texas educator, Lee Edward Garate, for his
14 exemplary contributions in the field of education; and

15 WHEREAS, A graduate of The University of Texas--Pan American,
16 Mr. Garate currently teaches at Betts Elementary School in
17 Edinburg, where he has touched the lives of countless young people
18 during his distinguished tenure; and

19 WHEREAS, Representative Aaron Peña, in celebration of
20 Teacher Appreciation Week, has appropriately recognized this
21 remarkable educator for his steadfast commitment to public
22 education; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
24 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby honor Lee Edward Garate for

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1 his exemplary efforts in behalf of his students and extend to him
2 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
4 prepared for Mr. Garate as an expression of high regard by the Texas
5 House of Representatives.

Peña

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 175 was adopted by the House on May 17, 2004, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House