H.R. No. 217

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, On February 14, 2003, students, faculty, and 2 supporters of Houston Community College (HCC) will honor Sylvia 3 Ramos, founding president of HCC-Southeast, as she departs Texas 4 for Chicago to serve as president of Richard J. Daley College; and

5 WHEREAS, Over the course of the past three decades, this 6 remarkable woman has brought exceptional ability and commitment to 7 her service to our state's higher education system; a graduate of 8 Southwest Texas State University, Sam Houston State University, and 9 the University of Houston, Dr. Ramos joined the staff of Houston 10 Community College in 1973, working in behalf of the Right to Read 11 federal program and Upward Bound grant program; and

WHEREAS, Respected and admired by those who have had the pleasure of working with her, Dr. Ramos was named director of the Austin and Milby campus in 1976 and, five years later, she assumed the mantle of dean of students for the Houston Community College system, a position that she held for 10 years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ramos continued her notable record of achievement when, in 1991, she became the first president of the Houston Community College System's Southeast College; in that position, she oversaw the development of three campuses serving 8,000 students and was responsible for attracting \$6 million in grant funding; and

23 WHEREAS, Throughout her distinguished tenure, this truly 24 exemplary administrator has displayed vision, creativity, and

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H.R. No. 217 1 determination, and her contributions toward the betterment of 2 higher education in the Lone Star State will continue to be felt for 3 many years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas Legislature hereby commend Sylvia Ramos for her outstanding career as an educator and administrator and extend to her warmest best wishes for continued success and happiness as she embarks on her new position at Richard J. Daley College in Chicago; and, be it further RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

10 prepared for Dr. Ramos as an expression of high esteem by the Texas 11 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 217 was adopted by the House on February 13, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House