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H.R. No. 217

R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Ramos continued her notable record of
18 achievement when, in 1991, she became the first president of the
19 Houston Community College System's Southeast College; in that
20 position, she oversaw the development of three campuses serving
21 8,000 students and was responsible for attracting \$6 million in
22 grant funding; and

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

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

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

9 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.