

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, On March 13, 2003, the El Paso Commission for Women
2 is posthumously inducting Josefina A. "Pipina" Salas-Porras into
3 its Hall of Fame; and

4 WHEREAS, Established in 1985, the commission is composed of
5 El Paso citizens who are committed to the pursuit of equal rights
6 and responsibilities for all women; inductees to the organization's
7 Hall of Fame are recognized in one of five categories, including
8 arts, civic leadership, education, professional, and public
9 service; and

10 WHEREAS, Selected for the education category, Mrs.
11 Salas-Porras was not only a teacher, but also a mentor, an advocate,
12 and a dedicated civic leader; she touched the lives of several
13 generations of Texans through her unique teaching style and her
14 dedication to instilling compassion, acceptance, and cultural
15 pride in each of her students; and

16 WHEREAS, A published author and a cofounder of the Bilingual
17 Institute, this esteemed woman was also a widely respected leader
18 in the community; she served on the boards of numerous
19 organizations, including the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, the El
20 Paso Electric Company, Mountain Bell, and the Freedom Foundation as
21 well as the El Paso Diabetes Association, Los Pobres Community
22 Theater, and the city's convention and visitors bureau; and

23 WHEREAS, The success of the State of Texas, the strength of
24 our communities, and the overall vitality of American society

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1 depend on the dedication of people like Mrs. Salas-Porras, who use
2 their considerable talents and resources to serve others, and it is
3 a privilege to join in paying tribute to her many achievements at
4 this time; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
6 Legislature hereby honor the late Josefina A. "Pipina" Salas-Porras
7 on her induction into the El Paso Commission for Women's Hall of
8 Fame.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 482 was adopted by the House on March 17, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House