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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

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.