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H.R. No. 492

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Tessa Martinez Pollack of San Antonio is most  
2           deserving of legislative recognition for her distinguished service  
3           as an educator and administrator; and

4           WHEREAS, Appointed president of Our Lady of the Lake  
5           University in 2002, Dr. Pollack is the first Hispanic to hold that  
6           position; at the time of her selection, she was president of  
7           Glendale Community College in Phoenix, Arizona; and

8           WHEREAS, Before her move to Arizona, this esteemed  
9           academician served as president of the Medical Center Campus of the  
10          Miami-Dade Community College in Florida; during the 1980s, she was  
11          employed with San Antonio College as assistant to the president,  
12          dean, and program developer; and

13          WHEREAS, A native of San Antonio, Dr. Pollack graduated from  
14          Our Lady of the Lake High School, received an associate's degree  
15          from San Antonio College and a master's degree in business and  
16          education from The University of Texas at San Antonio, and earned a  
17          bachelor's degree in journalism and a doctorate in educational  
18          administration from The University of Texas at Austin; she began  
19          her career as an educator teaching in San Antonio's Edgewood  
20          Independent School District; and

21          WHEREAS, Dr. Pollack has published extensively in her field  
22          and worked actively with various educational boards, while also  
23          devoting significant time to the communities in which she has  
24          lived; the recipient of numerous accolades, she has been identified

1 by *Hispanic Business* magazine as one of "100 Influentials"; and

2 WHEREAS, Over the course of her stellar 30-year career, Dr.  
3 Pollack has demonstrated outstanding scholarship and an  
4 exceptional talent for leading highly successful, multicultural  
5 institutions, and Our Lady of the Lake is indeed fortunate to have  
6 her at its helm; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
8 Legislature hereby congratulate Tessa Martinez Pollack on her  
9 appointment as president of Our Lady of the Lake University,  
10 commend her for her deep commitment to education, and extend to her  
11 best wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13 prepared for Dr. Pollack as an expression of high regard by the  
14 Texas House of Representatives.