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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Catherine Gonzales has won this year's 2 Hidalgo/Starr counties regional spelling bee, and her impressive

3 accomplishment is indeed worthy of special recognition; and

WHEREAS, An eighth grader at Mercedes Junior High School, Ms.

Gonzales outperformed a field of 33 other participants by correctly

spelling "benevolence" in the competition held on March 8, 2003, at

7 The University of Texas-Pan American; and

8 WHEREAS, The 14-year-old Texan will represent Hidalgo and

Starr counties in the annual Scripps-Howard National Spelling Bee

this May in Washington, D.C.; and

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11 WHEREAS, Supported in all that she does by her parents,

Alfredo and Dora Gonzales, this outstanding young Texan has

demonstrated exceptional intelligence, determination, and maturity

in successfully pursuing her goals, and it is truly a pleasure to

15 honor her at this time; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas

Legislature hereby commend Catherine Gonzales on winning the 2003

18 Hidalgo/Starr counties regional spelling bee and extend to her

sincere best wishes for continued success at the national

championships and in all her future endeavors; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

prepared for Ms. Gonzales as an expression of high regard by the

23 Texas House of Representatives.