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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Wichita Falls community leaders have formed the 1 2 Zavala Hispanic Cultural Initiative and are working to establish 3 the Zavala Hispanic Cultural Center to address leadership and involvement issues affecting the area's Hispanic population; and 4 5 WHEREAS, In May 2002, approximately 70 individuals met to 6 discuss how to best encourage Hispanic leadership in the Wichita Falls community; to accomplish goals laid out for the group, 7 participants formed the initiative and its steering committee and 8 are now investigating prospective locations for a center that will 9 provide quality child care, English and Spanish classes, social and 10 11 health care agency services, and a place for fellowship; and 12 WHEREAS, Members of the Zavala Hispanic Cultural Initiative 13 are also taking advantage of various training and educational 14 opportunities; some will participate in Leadership Wichita Falls, a program designed to familiarize individuals with the city and build 15 leadership skills, and others will attend Leadership 2003, which is 16 sponsored by the Center for Nonprofit Management; and 17 WHEREAS, Wichita County's Hispanic population, which is 18 predicted to triple by 2040, is making lasting, 19 positive 20 contributions to the Wichita Falls community and surrounding areas,

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

and the Zavala Hispanic Cultural Initiative and Cultural Center are

notable endeavors worthy of special recognition; now, therefore, be

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- 1 Legislature commend all those associated with the Zavala Hispanic
- 2 Cultural Initiative and the Zavala Hispanic Cultural Center and
- 3 extend to them sincere best wishes for success in the future.