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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Students Helping in the Naturalization of Elders 2 (SHINE) has provided young people the opportunity to participate 3 in the community and make a difference in the lives of others; and

WHEREAS, A national service-learning initiative that began in 1997, SHINE builds partnerships among community colleges, universities, and community-based organizations to provide citizenship classes to people over the age of 50; and

8 WHEREAS, Ably leading the SHINE program at The University of 9 Texas at El Paso (UTEP) is program coordinator Richard Gutierrez; a 10 political science professor who has worked on several political 11 campaigns and has been a delegate for the State Democratic 12 Convention, Mr. Gutierrez encourages his students to become active 13 in civic work to augment the lessons they learn in the classroom; 14 and

15 WHEREAS, Through their hard work and selfless commitment to 16 helping others, the students who participate in Project SHINE at 17 UTEP have made a lasting, positive impact on the lives of their 18 fellow Texans; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas 20 Legislature hereby commend The University of Texas at El Paso 21 students involved in Project SHINE and program coordinator Richard 22 Gutierrez for their exemplary service to the community and extend 23 to them best wishes for the future; and, be it further

24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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H.R. No. 1279 1 prepared for Project SHINE at The University of Texas at El Paso as 2 an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives. Chavez

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1279 was adopted by the House on May 24, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House