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R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

8 WHEREAS, Abla 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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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.