

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Paula Vargas of Harlingen has significantly  
2 contributed to the betterment of the community she is proud to call  
3 home, and her professional and personal achievements and civic  
4 engagement are indeed commendable; and

5           WHEREAS, This onetime migrant worker is now the owner of  
6 Busy-Like-Bees, a state-licensed child development center; she has  
7 given of her time and talents to a number of civic organizations,  
8 including the Get-Out-the-Vote campaign, the Keep Harlingen  
9 Beautiful Committee, Queens Peace Church, Catholic Daughters of  
10 America, and the City of Harlingen Municipal Court, which she has  
11 served as a volunteer for 15 years; and

12           WHEREAS, Mrs. Vargas has also greatly benefited the Harlingen  
13 Kiwanis Club as a board member, and as a member of its education  
14 committee, she was highly instrumental in developing a scholarship  
15 program for local youth; moreover, she has served on the board of  
16 the Harlingen Community Development Center, worked closely with  
17 special-needs students in Harlingen ISD, volunteered with the  
18 Cameron County Mental Health and Retardation Center, and officiated  
19 as head coach and umpire for the American Little League Team; and

20           WHEREAS, In all of her endeavors, she has enjoyed the love and  
21 support of her husband of 40 years, Jose G. Vargas; a loving mother  
22 to eight children, five of them adopted, she has opened her heart  
23 and home to some 60 foster children over the years; and

24           WHEREAS, Paula Vargas is an inspiration to all who are

1 privileged to know her, and her efforts have made a positive  
2 difference in the lives of countless Texans; now, therefore, be it

3         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
4 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby recognize Paula Vargas for  
5 her many contributions to the Harlingen community and extend to her  
6 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

7         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
8 prepared for her as an expression of high regard by the Texas House  
9 of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 359

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 359 was adopted by the House on July 18, 2005, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House