By: Gallego

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Julie Ramos Gonzales was recently accorded a great
honor by being chosen to serve as a grand marshal of the Cinco de
Mayo parade in Alpine; and

WHEREAS, The theme of this year's event paid tribute to vaqueros and the vital role they have played in the area's rich history; and

WHEREAS, Chosen for her lasting contributions to the Hispanic 7 community, Mrs. Ramos Gonzales has enjoyed a lifelong love affair 8 with the vaquero way of life, growing up around horses at her 9 grandmother's ranch and getting her own colt, Trigger, when she was 10 11 only five; she was soon running barrels and roping goats in rodeos; 12 she became a member of the American Rodeo Association and went to 13 several national competitions; she was in the top three female 14 ropers in her final year of competition and altogether won seven 15 all-around championship titles; and

16 WHEREAS, A life in the saddle was eventually replaced by a 17 successful real-estate career, but this wife, mother, and 18 grandmother continues to enjoy riding and reminiscing about her 19 days as a cowgirl, and it is indeed a pleasure at this time to 20 recognize her for her many achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Julie Ramos Gonzales on being named a grand marshal of the 2006 Cinco de Mayo parade in Alpine and extend to her best wishes for the future; and,

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1 be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 3 prepared for Mrs. Ramos Gonzales as an expression of high regard by 4 the Texas House of Representatives.