By: Giddings H.R. No. 101

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to 2 welcome the visiting members of the Leadership Southwest Class of 3 2005 to the State Capitol on February 16, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1984 and sponsored by the Cedar Hill,
DeSoto, Duncanville, Lancaster, and Oak Cliff Chambers of Commerce,
Leadership Southwest is dedicated to providing emerging community

leaders with the skills necessary to make significant contributions

8 to the future of Southwest Dallas County; and

WHEREAS, Leadership Southwest's unique program increases knowledge and understanding of community issues and inspires the spirit of activism by providing its participants with personal leadership training, networking opportunities, and instruction from influential figures from both the public and private sectors; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception more than two decades ago with an initial class of 15, Leadership Southwest has graduated more than 650 Southwest Dallas County residents; the positive effects of this dynamic program can be seen throughout the area as alumni have gone on to hold elective offices and serve on planning and zoning committees, city councils, chambers of commerce, and school, hospital, and economic development boards; and

WHEREAS, The exceptional men and women of Leadership Southwest have made and continue to make vital contributions to their respective communities, and it is a pleasure to recognize

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- 1 this outstanding program and this year's participants; now,
- 2 therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 4 Legislature hereby commend the members of Leadership Southwest and
- 5 extend to them a warm welcome on the occasion of their visit to the
- 6 State Capitol; and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for the Class of 2005 as an expression of high regard by
- 9 the Texas House of Representatives.