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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Jose E. Chavez is a gifted painter who has made an
2 invaluable contribution to the artistic vitality of the Lone Star
3 State; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on December 27, 1960, in Alpine, Mr. Chavez
5 graduated from Marfa High School and studied criminal justice at
6 Sul Ross State University and The University of Texas at El Paso; he
7 was first recognized for his artistic abilities at five years of
8 age, and he received several grade school art awards; and

9 WHEREAS, Working primarily in acrylics, this self-taught
10 artist uses a bold, expressionistic color palette to depict the
11 Native American experience in the Southwest; in 1994, he founded El
12 Mestizo Fine Arts gallery with his wife, Diana, to serve as a
13 showcase for his artwork; and

14 WHEREAS, Emphasizing the mestizo, or the mixing of the Native
15 American and European cultures, he seeks to create images that
16 inspire the viewer to learn more about native cultures and respect
17 their lasting legacy; and

18 WHEREAS, Through the beauty and power of his work, Jose
19 Chavez pays tribute to the distinctive heritage of the Native
20 American community as well as the rich culture of the Southwest,
21 which continue to gain the admiration of many under his artistic
22 wing; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
24 Legislature hereby commend Jose E. Chavez for his artistic

1 contributions to the State of Texas and extend to him sincere best
2 wishes for continued achievement; and, be it further

3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
4 prepared for Mr. Chavez as an expression of high regard by the Texas
5 House of Representatives.