

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Legislature relies heavily on advocates
2 and experts to inform policy-making decisions, and Ana Yanez Correa
3 and Marc Levin have made indispensable contributions to our
4 deliberations regarding juvenile justice and criminal justice in
5 general; and

6 WHEREAS, Ms. Correa is the executive director of the Texas
7 Criminal Justice Coalition; committed to identifying and working
8 toward real solutions to the problems facing the Texas criminal
9 justice system, the coalition identifies and educates supporters
10 using cost-effective and innovative tools, partners with
11 organizations and associations who share their core beliefs, and
12 promotes evidence-based criminal justice solutions that embody the
13 principles of effective management, accountability, public safety,
14 religious tenets, and human and civil rights; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Levin is the director of the Center for
16 Effective Justice at the Texas Public Policy Foundation; TPPF is a
17 nonpartisan research institute guided by the core principles of
18 individual liberty, personal responsibility, private property
19 rights, free markets, and limited government; the foundation's
20 mission is to improve Texas by generating academically sound
21 research and data on state issues, and by recommending the findings
22 to opinion leaders, policy-makers, the media, and the general
23 public; and

24 WHEREAS, The Texas Criminal Justice Coalition and the Center

1 for Effective Justice have developed policy proposals in the areas
2 of sentencing, probation, and parole, focusing on nonviolent
3 offenders that protect public safety while eliminating the need to
4 build new prisons; such reforms include treatment instead of
5 incarceration for nonviolent drug offenders, the reduction of
6 technical probation and parole revocations, and victim-offender
7 mediation for nonviolent, first-time property offenses; and

8 WHEREAS, Ms. Correa's passion for justice is infectious and
9 her tenacity is unstoppable; Mr. Levin's intellect is unparalleled
10 and his research is impeccable; both bring crucial credibility, and
11 their combined contributions to the legislative process will
12 favorably enhance the way this state approaches matters of public
13 safety and criminal justice policy; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas
15 hereby honor Ana Yanez Correa and Marc Levin and extend to them
16 sincere gratitude and best wishes for continued success; and, be it
17 further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
19 prepared for Ms. Correa and Mr. Levin as an expression of high
20 regard by the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 251 was adopted by the House on May 14, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 251 was adopted by the Senate on May 22, 2007, by a viva-voce vote.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor