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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The University of Texas-Pan American Reserve
2 Officer Training Corps Battalion has earned the 2006 General
3 Douglas MacArthur Award; and

4 WHEREAS, Presented by the U.S. Army Cadet Program, in
5 conjunction with the General Douglas MacArthur Foundation, this
6 prestigious accolade recognizes the top ROTC programs in the
7 nation; cadets must excel academically, rank among the highest
8 cadets at the national Leadership and Development Assessment
9 Course, and exceed the requirements for the Army Physical Fitness
10 Test to qualify for the award; and

11 WHEREAS, UTPA is in the business of educating and developing
12 ethical leaders with strong values in all areas of study for the
13 South Texas region, the state, and the nation; and

14 WHEREAS, The UTPA Bronc Battalion became the western division
15 honoree thanks in part to the able guidance of Lieutenant Colonel
16 Andre Dean, who leads the group as commanding officer, with the help
17 of an exceptional team of U.S. Army officers; the ROTC program also
18 enjoys the support of the community, as demonstrated by
19 scholarships provided by U.S. Army Colonel Retired, Louis Draper;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, The outstanding young men and women of the UTPA ROTC
22 have demonstrated the importance of hard work and dedication in
23 building an accomplished program; they are a source of pride to
24 their school and community, and it is a pleasure to recognize them

1 at this time; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the 80th Legislature of the State of Texas
3 hereby congratulate The University of Texas-Pan American Reserve
4 Officer Training Corps Battalion on earning the 2006 General
5 Douglas MacArthur Award and extend to its members sincere best
6 wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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