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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Acclaimed Dallas dance instructors Wanda Madge 1 2 Jones and her daughter, Angela Joan Ingels, both captured 3

prestigious national titles at the American Queen Pageant in Port

Lucie, Florida, on August 5, 2006; Ms. Jones was named 4

Ms. Classic American Queen while Ms. Ingels was crowned as a 5

6 Ms. American Queen; and

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WHEREAS, Ms. Jones and Ms. Ingels began their triumphal year 7 at the Texas American Queen State Pageant in February 2006, where 8 Ms. Jones was crowned Ms. Texas Classic American Queen in the 9 category for women age 50 and older; at the same event, Ms. Ingels 10 garnered the title of Ms. Texas American Queen in the category of 11

12 women of any marital status, ages 25 to 49; and

WHEREAS, At the age of 77, the indefatigable Ms. Jones has been winning contests for decades; a dancer since the age of four, she won the Tap Contest of Texas in 1936, when she was six; during World War II and the Korean War, she performed with the USO as part of the Jones Sisters; she has danced on the stage and in motion pictures and television productions, and she has choreographed shows for conventions and concerts; a graduate of Southern Methodist University with a bachelor's degree in accounting, she

has more than 50 years of experience teaching dance; and

WHEREAS, The beautiful and gifted daughter of a beautiful and gifted mother, Angela Ingels is likewise a graduate of SMU, with a bachelor's degree in economics, and she has been a dance instructor

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- 1 for more than 25 years; her dance troupe, Angela's Angels, has
- 2 performed for retirement centers, on television, and for charitable
- 3 organizations; she has participated in many beauty and talent
- 4 competitions, including the Miss Texas and the Miss Wichita Falls
- 5 pageants; and
- 6 WHEREAS, As accomplished as they are lovely and talented,
- 7 Ms. Jones and Ms. Ingels are, respectively, the director and
- 8 associate director of the Arabesque Studio of the Dance in Dallas;
- 9 opened in 1969, Arabesque has taught tens of thousands of students
- in many varieties of dance, including tap, ballet, jazz, hip-hop,
- 11 ballroom, and Irish step dancing, and this mother and daughter
- 12 team's commitment to this enterprise has enriched the cultural life
- 13 of Dallas; and
- WHEREAS, The beauty, poise, grace, and talent of Wanda Jones
- and Angela Ingels have been justly recognized by their remarkable
- 16 matching victories at the national American Queen Pageant, and
- 17 their attainment of these honors brings even greater distinction to
- 18 these remarkable women; now, therefore, be it
- 19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 20 Legislature hereby congratulate Wanda Madge Jones and Angela Joan
- 21 Ingels for winning national titles at the American Queen Pageant
- 22 and offer each of them best wishes for continued success; and, be it
- 23 further
- 24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 25 prepared for Ms. Jones and Ms. Ingels as an expression of high
- 26 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 485 was adopted by the House on March 8, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House