

By: Chavez

H.R. No. 1383

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Estrella Escobar, assistant to the president of The
2 University of Texas at El Paso, has been selected as a member of the
3 Texas Lyceum; and

4 WHEREAS, The Texas Lyceum is a nonprofit, nonpartisan
5 organization that examines public policy issues affecting Texas and
6 the United States; composing the group are 96 men and women who have
7 demonstrated leadership in their field and their community,
8 together with a deep commitment to the Lone Star State; in May 2007,
9 the lyceum is convening in Washington, D.C., for a conference on
10 trade and globalization; and

11 WHEREAS, Before assuming her present post in 2001, Ms.
12 Escobar honed her impressive skills in both the private and public
13 sectors; she previously served as the production coordinator for an
14 international import/export company, as project director for a
15 government affairs consulting firm in Washington, D.C., as special
16 projects director for the El Paso County District Attorney's
17 Office, and as executive assistant to the mayor of El Paso; and

18 WHEREAS, Ms. Escobar is an alumna of UTEP, where she earned
19 both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in political science,
20 in 1993 and 2004; she has also attended leadership development
21 programs sponsored by the Foundation for Women's Resources, the
22 Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, and the
23 Universidad Internacional Menendez Pelayo in Santander, Spain; and

24 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan formerly served on the board of

1 directors of the El Paso Chapter of the American Heart Association
2 and as a member of the City of El Paso Public Arts Commission; she
3 currently chairs the City of El Paso Cultural Affairs Advisory
4 Board, serves as president of the Embassy of Spain Hispanic Leaders
5 Association, and serves as a member of the UTEP Centennial
6 Commission and the Paso del Norte Group; and

7 WHEREAS, For her accomplishments and contributions to her
8 fellow citizens, Ms. Escobar has received the Mayor's
9 Distinguished Award for Exceptional Service to the City of El Paso
10 and also the City of El Paso's Conquistador Award, in addition to
11 the Thomas Ira Cook Award for Excellence in Political Science from
12 UTEP; and

13 WHEREAS, Estrella Escobar's election to the Texas Lyceum is a
14 well-deserved honor, and her inclusion in this diverse and
15 thoughtful group is sure to enhance its deliberations as its
16 members explore the issues facing Texas today and seek to equip
17 themselves to help shape policies that will improve the lives of all
18 Texans; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
20 Legislature hereby congratulate Estrella Escobar on her selection
21 to the Texas Lyceum and extend to her sincere best wishes for
22 continued success; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
24 prepared for Ms. Escobar as an expression of high regard by the
25 Texas House of Representatives.