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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Angelica Martinez of Dallas has distinguished 2 herself as a professional boxer of great talent and potential whose 3 success in the ring has made her one of the world's leading

welterweight contenders; and 4

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WHEREAS, A California native, "Angel" Martinez developed into an athlete during her high school years and received a basketball scholarship to Southwest Texas State University; after an injury ended her basketball career, she served a tour of duty in the U.S. Marine Corps and then settled in Dallas, where she first took up the sport of boxing; and

WHEREAS, After competing in five amateur bouts, Angel Martinez made her professional debut in July 2003; she quickly proved herself a formidable fighter with excellent timing and a classic boxing style; in January 2006, in just her fifth pro fight, she bested Yvonne Reis to claim the Womens International Boxing Association Intercontinental Welterweight Championship, a title that she continues to hold; and

WHEREAS, Angel Martinez has gone on to establish an outstanding record of six wins, two losses, and one draw and is rated as one of the top female welterweights according to several different ranking organizations; she has turned in impressive performances against some of the best names in women's boxing, with one of her finest wins to date being a 10-round unanimous decision

over famed women's boxer Christy Martin in October 2006; and

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1 WHEREAS, A fierce competitor who has fully devoted herself to 2 her dream of athletic success, Angel Martinez has emerged as a 3 prominent female fighter who has captured the attention of boxing 4 fans around the world and brought further glory to the proud sporting tradition of the Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it 5 6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas 7 Legislature hereby congratulate Angel Martinez for her exceptional 8 performance as a professional boxer and extend to her best wishes for continued success; and, be it further 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 10 prepared for Ms. Martinez as an expression of high regard by the 11 Texas House of Representatives. 12

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1607 was adopted by the House on April 24, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House