

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to
2 welcome the reigning Feria de las Flores Queen, Imelda "Mellie"
3 Valencia, and contestants of the 2007 pageant to the State Capitol
4 on April 26, 2007; and

5 WHEREAS, The pageant, which raises money for scholarships,
6 has been sponsored by LULAC Council No. 1 since 1959; through the
7 generous support of the South Texas business community, LULAC has
8 distributed more than \$1 million in scholarship funds to students
9 throughout the Coastal Bend area; and

10 WHEREAS, The competition's contestants are judged in six
11 categories: beauty, personality, poise, costume, dance routine,
12 and onstage question, and the event, which is designed to pay
13 tribute to the heritage of Mexican American citizens, features
14 music, dance, and dress that typify various regions south of the
15 border; and

16 WHEREAS, Joining last year's winner, reigning queen Imelda
17 "Mellie" Valencia, the talented individuals participating in this
18 year's competition are Crystal Garcia, Tania Garcia, Bianca Ibarra,
19 Ariel Monte, Alexandra Reyna, Lyndsey Reyna, Paige Rodriguez,
20 Britney Samora, Evelyn Trevino, and Amber Vasquez; and

21 WHEREAS, Through their involvement, these contestants have
22 demonstrated great cultural pride and community spirit, and they
23 may indeed look forward to bright and promising futures; now,
24 therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
2 Legislature hereby welcome Imelda "Mellie" Valencia, the reigning
3 Queen of Feria de las Flores, and the 2007 pageant contestants to
4 the State Capitol and extend to them sincere best wishes for a
5 memorable visit; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 1691

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1691 was adopted by the House on April 26, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House