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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Damon Martinez has ably served his fellow Texans as an intern in the office of Representative Eddie Rodriguez during the 80th Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, A native of Houston, Mr. Martinez earned both his bachelor's degree from San Francisco State University and his master's degree from The University of Texas at Austin in social work; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure as a legislative intern, Mr. Martinez assisted with health and human services legislation and assisted constituents with their concerns about those issues; and

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WHEREAS, Quickly learning session survival skills, Mr.

Martinez never hesitated to speak openly and honestly to reporters

about the whereabouts of Representative Rodriguez and

enthusiastically showed up for every reception; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Martinez's zeal on a foster kids bill of rights earned him a point of order, which he may rightfully accept as a badge of honor, and his skill at guerilla strategizing earned him the nickname "Apache" from Representative Martinez Fischer; perhaps most importantly of all, he miraculously kept the coffee pot turned on for nearly the entire five months of the session; and

WHEREAS, Through his dedication and hard work, Damon Martinez has ably contributed to state government while enhancing his knowledge of the legislative process and gaining more than a few new friends along the way; now, therefore, be it

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- 1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 2 Legislature hereby commend Damon Martinez for his service as a
- 3 legislative intern in the office of Representative Eddie Rodriguez
- 4 and extend to him warmest best wishes for the future; and, be it
- 5 further
- 6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 7 prepared for Mr. Martinez as an expression of high regard by the
- 8 Texas House of Representatives.

Rodriguez Martinez Fischer

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2609 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House