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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The University of Texas-Pan American Reserve 2 Officer Training Corps Battalion has earned the 2006 General 3 Douglas MacArthur Award; and

WHEREAS, Presented by the U.S. Army Cadet Program, in conjunction with the General Douglas MacArthur Foundation, this prestigious accolade recognizes the top ROTC programs in the nation; cadets must excel academically, rank among the highest cadets at the national Leadership and Development Assessment Course, and exceed the requirements for the Army Physical Fitness Test to qualify for the award; and

11 WHEREAS, UTPA is in the business of educating and developing 12 ethical leaders with strong values in all areas of study for the 13 South Texas region, the state, and the nation; and

WHEREAS, The UTPA Bronc Battalion became the western division honoree thanks in part to the able guidance of Lieutenant Colonel Andre Dean, who leads the group as commanding officer, with the help of an exceptional team of U.S. Army officers; the ROTC program also enjoys the support of the community, as demonstrated by scholarships provided by U.S. Army Colonel Retired, Louis Draper; and

WHEREAS, The outstanding young men and women of the UTPA ROTC have demonstrated the importance of hard work and dedication in building an accomplished program; they are a source of pride to their school and community, and it is a pleasure to recognize them

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- 1 at this time; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby congratulate The University of Texas-Pan
- 4 American Reserve Officer Training Corps Battalion on earning the
- 5 2006 General Douglas MacArthur Award and extend to its members
- 6 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 8 prepared for the cadets as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 9 House of Representatives.