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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, For three years, Maricela De Leon has ably served 2 her fellow Texans in the district office of State Representative 3 Aaron Pena, specializing in criminal jurisprudence, health and 4 human services, higher education, and teacher retirement issues; 5 and

WHEREAS, Ms. De Leon earned her bachelor's degree in finance 6 from The University of Texas--Pan American in May 2007; active in a 7 number of worthwhile campus groups, she shared her time with Delta 8 Nu Multicultural Sorority and the Financial 9 Xi Management Association, and she served as president of the Young Democrats, 10 vice president of membership of the Alpha Kappa Psi Business 11 12 Fraternity, and Student Government Association senator for the 13 College of Business Administration; she was recently recognized 14 with a student leadership award; and

15 WHEREAS, Her work has also extended to the greater South 16 Texas community, where she has volunteered with the United to Serve 17 Project at the Edinburg World Birding Center, Make a Difference Day 18 at the Boys and Girls Club in San Juan, and the eighth grade class at 19 St. Margaret Mary's Church; and

20 WHEREAS, Ms. De Leon is currently working on founding a 21 nonprofit organization to assist underserved families in San 22 Carlos; she hopes to attend law school in 2008; and

23 WHEREAS, In all of her endeavors, this notable young Texan 24 has been blessed with the support of a loving family that includes

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her parents, Juan and Maria Guadalupe De Leon, her brothers, Juan De Leon, Jr., and Carlos De Leon and his wife, Araceli, her sister, Melissa De Leon, and her nieces and nephews, Sean Carlos, Carlos, Belen, and Analiese; and

5 WHEREAS, Ms. De Leon has performed her duties as a 6 legislative aide with skill, perseverance, and dedication, and she 7 may indeed look forward to a rewarding future; and

8 WHEREAS, Representative Aaron Pena has justly recognized 9 Maricela De Leon by authoring this resolution in her behalf during 10 the Regular Session of the 80th Texas Legislature; now, therefore, 11 be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas Legislature hereby honor Maricela De Leon for her exemplary service as a legislative aide in the district office of State Representative Aaron Pena and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success in all her endeavors; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 18 prepared for Ms. De Leon as an expression of high regard by the 19 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2687 was adopted by the House on May 25, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House