

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Clarissa Ann Balli has been named valedictorian of
2 the Class of 2007 at Donna High School, and for achieving this
3 significant honor, she indeed merits special recognition; and

4 WHEREAS, Earning the title of valedictorian requires not only
5 intellect and aptitude, but four years of dedication to the highest
6 academic standards, and Ms. Balli's efforts have been recognized
7 with numerous awards, including the English IV AP award, the
8 communications applications award, the economics ADV award, the
9 government AP award, and the science achievement award; and

10 WHEREAS, In addition to her impressive academic
11 achievements, Ms. Balli was a member of the varsity volleyball
12 team, which advanced to the state playoffs in 2005 and 2006, a
13 varsity cheerleader, and a discus competitor on the varsity track
14 and field team; she was also president of the school's National
15 Honor Society chapter, a member of the Ventures Scholars Program,
16 and a member of the National Youth Leadership Forum's Alumni
17 Association; and

18 WHEREAS, Ms. Balli shared her time and talents with her
19 community as a volunteer for hospice and the Toys for Tots holiday
20 campaign, and she organized student participation in a blood drive;
21 having completed 20 hours of college credit at The University of
22 Texas--Pan American and South Texas College, she is well on her way
23 to obtaining a degree at Rice University, where she plans to study
24 biology; and

1 WHEREAS, Clarissa Balli has earned the respect and admiration
2 of her teachers and classmates at Donna High School, and her
3 exceptional scholastic ability, hard work, and commitment to
4 excellence have surely opened the way to limitless opportunities
5 for this remarkable young Texan; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
7 Legislature hereby congratulate Clarissa Ann Balli on being named
8 the 2007 valedictorian at Donna High School and extend to her
9 sincere best wishes for continued success in all her endeavors;
10 and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
12 prepared for Ms. Balli as an expression of high regard by the Texas
13 House of Representatives.

Martinez

H.R. No. 2938

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2938 was adopted by the House on May 28, 2007, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House