

By: Gattis

H.R. No. 2985

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Colleen Farish has provided valuable public service  
2 to the people of the great State of Texas as scheduler and  
3 constituent services assistant in the office of State  
4 Representative Dan Gattis during the 80th Legislative Session; and

5           WHEREAS, A graduate of the University of Oklahoma, Ms. Farish  
6 earned her bachelor's degree in letters and completed an Arabic  
7 language study program at Hashemite University, Jordan; an avid  
8 reader of the *Economist* magazine with a keen interest in  
9 international public policy; Ms. Farish gained previous  
10 legislative experience through various Congressional internships;  
11 and

12           WHEREAS, Ms. Farish has capably handled a number of essential  
13 duties since joining the office of Representative Gattis in January  
14 2007; as part of her key office assignments, she was responsible for  
15 relaying matters of communication among the office, greeting the  
16 many visitors to the office, handling large volumes of daily  
17 correspondence, resolving constituent concerns, including working  
18 on constituent case work, carrying out duties relating to the  
19 Pastor of the Day, Doctor of the Day, and Honorary Page programs,  
20 overseeing the Representative's schedule, tracking education and  
21 social policy issues, and meeting with numerous constituent and  
22 advocacy groups on these policy issues; and

23           WHEREAS, Known for her ability to remain calm and collected  
24 under pressure, Ms. Farish gained valuable insight as an intern in

1 the White House Office of Speechwriting, and her notable talent and  
2 experience in that field have been an asset in drafting creative  
3 speeches for Representative Gattis; and

4 WHEREAS, The efforts of Colleen Farish have helped to ensure  
5 the efficient functioning of the Representative's office  
6 throughout the course of the session; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
8 Legislature hereby commend Colleen Farish for her service as  
9 scheduler and constituent services assistant in the office of State  
10 Representative Dan Gattis and thank her for her work in behalf of  
11 the citizens of Texas; and extend to her sincere best wishes for the  
12 future; and, be it further

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