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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Valley Alliance of Mentors for Opportunities and
- 2 Scholarships held its largest annual fund-raiser, the 2009 VAMOS
- 3 Golf Tournament, in February 2009, and this significant event is
- 4 playing an instrumental role in helping many deserving young Texans
- 5 to pursue their goal of obtaining a higher education; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Projected to raise over \$700,000 toward
- 7 scholarships for Hispanic students in the Rio Grande Valley this
- 8 year, the tournament has brought in more than \$4 million over the
- 9 course of the past 13 years for the VAMOS scholarship and mentoring
- 10 program; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Since its founding in 1996, VAMOS has helped
- 12 approximately 250 students with tuition, books, and other expenses;
- 13 scholarship recipients are awarded between \$8,000 and \$20,000 while
- 14 pursuing their undergraduate course work, and community service
- 15 projects are required for all participants; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The education of Texas youth is of vital importance
- 17 to the future of the Lone Star State, and VAMOS opens doors to
- 18 higher learning for high school students while providing them with
- 19 the motivation and encouragement they need to succeed in college
- 20 and beyond; now, therefore, be it
- 21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
- 22 Legislature hereby honor the Valley Alliance of Mentors for
- 23 Opportunities and Scholarships for its notable work in behalf of
- 24 Hispanic students in the Rio Grande Valley and extend to all those

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- 1 affiliated with the alliance sincere best wishes for continued
- 2 success; and, be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 4 prepared for VAMOS as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 5 House of Representatives.