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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to 2 recognize Resha Thomas for her outstanding work in the office of 3 Representative Jim McReynolds during the 81st Legislative Session; 4 and

5 WHEREAS, Ms. Thomas has distinguished herself as a 6 participant in the Texas Legislative Internship Program (TLIP) 7 administered by the Mickey Leland Center on World Hunger and Peace 8 at Texas Southern University; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1990, TLIP provides a unique 9 opportunity for students from Texas colleges and universities to 10 11 serve as interns in the Texas Legislature, in state agencies, and in 12 local government offices; students receive academic credit for participating in the program, which combines study and research 13 14 with supervised practical training; Senator Rodney Ellis serves as a program advisor, and his office assists with coordinating on-site 15 16 activities; and

WHEREAS, A Houston native, Ms. Thomas recently earned her bachelor's degree in public relations and political science from the University of Houston; she served as a college recruiter for the Help Houston Vote project, and she has worked as an intern for the Voting Rights Section of the Department of Justice; she has also been active in political campaigns and with nonprofit organizations in Houston; and

24 WHEREAS, During her tenure as a legislative intern,

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1 Ms. Thomas has gained valuable work experience and firsthand 2 knowledge of the governmental process, while also developing 3 insight into the important issues facing our communities and our 4 state; and

5 WHEREAS, Diligent and resourceful, Ms. Thomas has skillfully 6 handled a variety of duties in the office of Representative 7 McReynolds and ably assisted in meeting the needs of constituents, 8 and she may reflect proudly on her service as a legislative intern; 9 now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 11 Legislature hereby commend Resha Thomas for her tireless dedication 12 and exemplary work as a participant in the Texas Legislative 13 Internship Program and extend to her sincere best wishes for the 14 future; and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 16 prepared for Ms. Thomas as an expression of high regard by the Texas 17 House of Representatives.

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I certify that H.R. No. 1657 was adopted by the House on May 12, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House