

By: Coleman

H.R. No. 1657

R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

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

24           WHEREAS, During her tenure as a legislative intern,

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.