

By: Coleman

H.R. No. 1663

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to
2 recognize Tanya Gripton for her outstanding work in the office of
3 Representative Helen Giddings during the 81st Legislative Session;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, Ms. Gripton 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 native of Abilene, Ms. Gripton is pursuing her
18 bachelor's degree in international studies and minoring in
19 political science at Baylor University, where she has repeatedly
20 made the dean's list; she is a member of several academic honor
21 societies and has spent a semester abroad in the Netherlands; and

22 WHEREAS, During her tenure as a legislative intern, Ms.
23 Gripton has gained valuable work experience and firsthand knowledge
24 of the governmental process, while also developing insight into the

1 important issues facing our communities and our state; and

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

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
8 Legislature hereby commend Tanya Gripton for her tireless
9 dedication and exemplary work as a participant in the Texas
10 Legislative Internship Program and extend to her sincere best
11 wishes for the future; and, be it further

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