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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Claudia Pena of Alamo has received a 2008 Milken
Family Foundation National Educator Award; and

3 WHEREAS, This prestigious award recognizes outstanding elementary and secondary schoolteachers across the 4 nation; 5 candidates for the award are nominated by blue-ribbon committees from each state and are chosen by the Milken Family Foundation; 6 selection criteria include proven effectiveness as an educator, 7 professional accomplishments beyond the classroom, potential for 8 9 professional and policy leadership, and the ability to motivate and inspire students, colleagues, and members of the community; and 10

11 WHEREAS, A faculty member at North Alamo Elementary School, 12 Ms. Pena was one of only 80 teachers in the country and 4 teachers in 13 the state to win this award; in addition to receiving a \$25,000 14 prize, she was invited to participate in the annual Milken National 15 Education Conference held in April 2009 in Los Angeles; and

16 WHEREAS, Teachers are entrusted with shaping our nation's 17 future through their interaction with our children, and Claudia 18 Pena's dedication to her students and commitment to excellence have 19 earned her recognition as one of the best teachers in the Lone Star 20 State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Claudia Pena on her receipt of a 2008 Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success with her important

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1 work; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 3 prepared for Ms. Pena as an expression of high regard by the Texas 4 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1766 was adopted by the House on May 11, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House