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H.R. No. 1769

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Deyanira Castillo of Weslaco was named Student of
2 the Year in 2009 by the Migrant Student Graduation Enhancement
3 Program of The University of Texas at Austin; and

4 WHEREAS, The daughter of Luis Carlos and Maria O. Castillo,
5 Deyanira Castillo is a senior at Weslaco East High School, and she
6 begins every school year six weeks late in order to work alongside
7 her family members in the fields of Michigan; since she was 14 years
8 old, Ms. Castillo has spent the summer months packing radishes,
9 beets, carrots, cilantro, and spinach for nearly 12 hours a day, 6
10 days a week, and yet she has still managed to excel in the
11 classroom; and

12 WHEREAS, With a 102.3 grade point average, Ms. Castillo ranks
13 in the top five in her class and has earned high scores on her
14 Advanced Placement exams; encouraged by her parents to make
15 education a priority, Ms. Castillo has devoted herself to her
16 courses, often staying after school to talk to her teachers or
17 studying all night to catch up on what she missed in the first weeks
18 of school; moreover, she has worked part-time at a department store
19 since 2007; and

20 WHEREAS, This fine young Texan has further distinguished
21 herself through her involvement in numerous extracurricular
22 activities, including the University Interscholastic League math
23 and prose teams and the Drama Club, and she was inducted into the
24 National Honor Society; she is also the president of the Student

1 Council, and she has been recognized as the Student of the Week for
2 South Texas College and as the Student of the Month for the Rotary
3 Club; in addition, during her freshman and sophomore years of high
4 school, Ms. Castillo completed the summer courses offered by the
5 Migrant Student Graduation Enhancement Program, and these
6 experiences have motivated her to pursue a degree in international
7 business at UT Austin; and

8 WHEREAS, Through her perseverance, hard work, and
9 dedication, Deyanira Castillo has proven to be a student of great
10 ability and initiative, and she may indeed take justifiable pride
11 in her outstanding achievements; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
13 Legislature hereby congratulate Deyanira Castillo on being named a
14 2009 Student of the Year by the Migrant Student Graduation
15 Enhancement Program of The University of Texas at Austin and extend
16 to her sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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