

By: Naishtat

H.R. No. 2175

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Those young people who give of their time and  
2 talents to assist in the demanding work of the Texas Legislature are  
3 truly deserving of our gratitude and admiration, and Leslie Weston  
4 is one such individual; and

5           WHEREAS, Originally from Louisiana, Ms. Weston has served as  
6 a legislative aide in the office of State Representative Elliott  
7 Naishtat from January through May 2009, and her commitment,  
8 dedication, and cheerful disposition have been greatly appreciated  
9 by her colleagues; and

10           WHEREAS, Ms. Weston's expertise in the area of health and  
11 human services has been particularly valuable to both  
12 Representative Naishtat's staff and his constituents, and in  
13 assisting citizens with questions relating to these areas, she has  
14 seen firsthand the ability of public officials to have an impact on  
15 policy; moreover, she has learned more than she thought possible  
16 about state schools, board and care homes, child care licensing,  
17 and other human services-related issues as she followed the House  
18 Committee on Human Services and prepared for Representative  
19 Naishtat analyses of every bill considered by the committee; and

20           WHEREAS, Going above and beyond the call of duty, Ms. Weston  
21 has often stayed late into the night, preparing the  
22 representative's committee notebook and shepherding legislation to  
23 establish the Legislative Committee on Aging; she has further  
24 distinguished herself through her work on Representative

1 Naishtat's legislation regarding access to electronic educational  
2 materials for blind and visually impaired students, social worker  
3 practice issues, and increasing access to higher education through  
4 Americorps, and she has learned a considerable amount about floor  
5 amendments; and

6 WHEREAS, Ms. Weston is a graduate student in the Master of  
7 Social Work Program at The University of Texas at Austin, and her  
8 knowledge and understanding of the inner workings of the Texas  
9 Legislature and the legislative process will surely serve her well  
10 as she prepares to enter the arena of macro social work; although  
11 her coworkers, most especially the legislative director, are sorry  
12 to see her tenure end, they share in her excitement as she prepares  
13 to embark on a future that is bright with promise; now, therefore,  
14 be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
16 Legislature hereby honor Leslie Weston for her outstanding service  
17 as a legislative aide and extend to her sincere best wishes for  
18 continued success and happiness; and, be it further

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