

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Candelario Barragan of El Paso has distinguished
2 himself as an outstanding educator in the Socorro Independent
3 School District; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of migrant farm workers, Cande Barragan
5 graduated as valedictorian of Bowie High School and went on to earn
6 a bachelor's degree in math, cum laude, from The University of Texas
7 at El Paso; and

8 WHEREAS, Today, Mr. Barragan is a popular mathematics teacher
9 at El Dorado High School, where his enthusiastic and humorous
10 teaching style is known to include singing and dancing; moreover,
11 he dedicates his time to tutoring students before and after school,
12 and as a result, many of them go on to achieve a 98 percent passing
13 rate on the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills test; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Barragan was named El Dorado's 2006-2007 Teacher
15 of the Year, and in 2007, he was also one of four teachers in Texas
16 to earn the Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award;
17 called the "Oscars of teaching" by *Teacher Magazine*, the awards
18 provide public recognition and financial rewards to elementary and
19 secondary schoolteachers, principals, and others who are
20 furthering excellence in education; and

21 WHEREAS, Children are the Lone Star State's most precious
22 resource, and a quality education is vital in order for young people
23 to become successful adults; Cande Barragan demonstrates the
24 passion, determination, and commitment that are the hallmarks of

1 our best teachers, and he is indeed an exemplary role model in his
2 profession; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
4 Legislature hereby commend Candelario Barragan for his exceptional
5 achievements in education and extend to him sincere best wishes for
6 continued success with his important work; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for Mr. Barragan as an expression of high regard by the
9 Texas House of Representatives.

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Pickett
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Quintanilla
Marquez

H.R. No. 2369

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2369 was adopted by the House on May 26, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House