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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, For more than four decades, Enriqueta G. Fierro of 2 El Paso has dedicated herself to serving her community, and her 3 outstanding efforts indeed merit special recognition; and

WHEREAS, An El Paso native, the former Queta Galindo was born on April 8, 1934, to Carlos and Guadalupe Galindo, and she went on to graduate from Bowie High School; it was there that she met her future husband, Jesus J. "Chuy" Fierro; the couple were married in 1958, and they shared the joy of welcoming into their family four sons, Jesus, Carlos, Martin, and Mark; and

WHEREAS, In the late 1960s, Mrs. Fierro began working on 10 11 and participating in county conventions for campaigns the 12 Democratic party, and in 1968, she became the staff assistant to U.S. Congressman Richard C. White; for the next 15 years, she acted 13 14 as a liaison between his constituents and various federal agencies, and she represented the Congressional office on a number of 15 16 municipal boards; in 1983, she began a decade-long tenure as an assistant to the protocol officer at Fort Bliss, where she was 17 recognized with many accolades, including the Superior Civilian 18 Service Award; and 19

WHEREAS, A dedicated member of LULAC since 1968, Mrs. Fierro has supervised the national office in El Paso, and in 1994, she began coordinating the group's national conventions; in addition, she has served as the LULAC National Chaplain, as president of LULAC Project Amistad, and as the deputy director for District 4, and she

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1 has been named LULAC Woman of the Year at the district, state, and 2 national levels; she has also received the Outstanding LULAC State 3 President of the Year designation, and she was inducted into the 4 National LULAC Women's Hall of Fame in 1998; and

5 WHEREAS, The El Paso County Democratic Chair from 2000 6 through 2002, Mrs. Fierro has also served as the chair of Precinct 7 88 for more than a decade, as the president of the Woman's National 8 Democratic Club, and as a member of the El Paso County Democratic 9 Executive Committee, and she was inducted into the El Paso County 10 Democratic Hall of Fame and the Tejano Democrats Paso Del Norte 11 Chapter Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has further contributed to such 12 organizations as Providence Memorial Hospital, the YWCA Women's 13 14 Resource Center, the City of El Paso Arts Resources Board, the El 15 Paso Airport and Mass Transit Board, the local PTA, and El Paso Community College, and she was president of the Muscular Dystrophy 16 Association; moreover, Mrs. Fierro has been active on the boards of 17 the International Hispanic Cultural Institute, El Paso Counts, the 18 19 Εl Paso Community Foundation, and the Hispanic Leadership Institute, and she was the first woman to be elected president of 20 21 the board of the El Paso Civic Center; she has also been involved with Leadership El Paso and St. Pius X Church, and she was on the 22 board of the Bowie High School Alumni Association and was named 23 24 Bowie's Outstanding Ex-Student for 1986; and

25 WHEREAS, Mrs. Fierro has received Special Congressional 26 Recognition from U.S. Congressman Silvestre Reyes, and numerous 27 other tributes, including the Del Norte Award from the County of El

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Paso, the Lucy G. Acosta Humanitarian Award, the Hidalgo Award, and the Star of the Mountain Award from Mayor John Cook, and she was listed among the World of Women by the *El Paso Times*; and

WHEREAS, With a genuine concern for her fellow citizens, Queta Fierro has given freely of her time and talents for the benefit of her community, and she is an inspiration to all those who are privileged to know her; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas 9 Legislature hereby honor Enriqueta G. Fierro on her notable history 10 of civic leadership and volunteerism and extend to her sincere best 11 wishes for continued success and happiness; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2452 was adopted by the House on May 28, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House