SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 646

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Yolanda Garcia Olivarez, who has been selected as a 2009 Texas Sor Juana Women of Achievement honoree; and

WHEREAS, Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz was a 17th-century Mexican nun, poet, mathematician, and brilliant intellectual who challenged her culture and religion with her belief that women have a right to an education and creative freedom; and

WHEREAS, Yolanda Olivarez, a senior vice president at Wells Fargo, has been active in many Corpus Christi community groups through the years; she served for 12 years as a Corpus Christi port commissioner and has worked with such diverse organizations as the American Heart Association, the Coastal Bend Bays and Estuaries Program, and the Del Mar College Foundation; and

WHEREAS, She worked with the Corpus Christi Community Development Corporation in partnership with other groups to aid many Corpus Christi families in acquiring homes of their own; she is a devoted wife to her husband, Rolando Olivarez, and a loving mother to her daughter, Sophia Olivarez; and

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WHEREAS, Yolanda Olivarez has exemplified the courage,
creativity, and determination of Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz, and
she is truly deserving of this prestigious award; now, therefore,
be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby commend Yolanda Garcia Olivarez on her many accomplishments and extend congratulations to her on being named a 2009 Texas Sor Juana Woman of Achievement; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Hinojosa

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 17, 2009.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate