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H.R. No. 464

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Veronica Escobar took office in
2 January 2011 as county judge of El Paso County; and

3 WHEREAS, Born in El Paso and raised in the lower valley,
4 Veronica Escobar graduated from The University of Texas at El Paso
5 in 1991 and earned a master's degree from New York University in
6 1993; she worked at El Paso Community College, UTEP, and various
7 nonprofits before being elected to the El Paso County Commissioners
8 Court from Precinct 2 in 2007; and

9 WHEREAS, During her tenure as a commissioner, Judge Escobar
10 organized and hosted the county's first Shared Services Summits,
11 which brought together multiple school districts and
12 municipalities, the hospital district, the community college, and
13 the county; the events resulted in the creation of a shared
14 technology data center, joint purchasing, integrated IT services,
15 and other projects that have saved area taxpayers millions of
16 dollars; she was also deeply engaged in issues related to health
17 care, border policy, nature tourism, and transportation, as well as
18 government consolidation, the revitalization of downtown El Paso,
19 and economic development; and

20 WHEREAS, Judge Escobar has given generously of her time and
21 talents to numerous civic organizations, among them Community
22 Scholars, the Border Network for Human Rights, the Border Fair
23 Housing and Economic Justice Center, the Hispanic Leadership
24 Institute, and the Women's Political Action Committee of El Paso;

1 she has been recognized by the Center for Civic Engagement and by
2 Women for an Ethical El Paso, and she has been named Elected
3 Official of the Year by the El Paso branch of the National
4 Association of Social Workers; and

5 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has exemplified the highest
6 standards of public service and worked tirelessly to advance the
7 common good, and she is indeed deserving of commendation as she
8 takes on the challenges of her new office; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
10 Legislature hereby congratulate the Honorable Veronica Escobar on
11 her election as county judge of El Paso County and extend to her
12 sincere best wishes for continued success in all her endeavors;
13 and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for Judge Escobar as an expression of high regard by the
16 Texas House of Representatives.