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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Diana Pena of Rio Grande City retired as vice 2 president of finance and administrative services for South Texas 3 College on January 31, 2011, concluding a distinguished career with 4 that institution that spanned 12 years; and

5 WHEREAS, In 1998, Ms. Pena joined South Texas College as a vice president; she played an instrumental role in the school's 6 7 success, helping to ensure its fiscal integrity and stability as the able steward of an annual budget of more than \$130 million; her 8 9 responsibilities included overseeing a wide range of crucial services, including maintenance, facilities, security, and human 10 11 resources, as well as nearly every financial and business function; 12 and

WHEREAS, This skilled administrator has been affiliated with a number of professional organizations, among them the Texas Association of Community College Business Officers, the National Association of College and University Business Officers, and the American Association for Women in Community Colleges; moreover, she was named 2010 Outstanding Chief Business Officer for Region IV by the Community College Business Officers Association; and

20 WHEREAS, Born and raised in Rio Grande City, Ms. Pena 21 graduated from the University of Houston and went on to earn her 22 master's degree in counseling and guidance from The University of 23 Texas--Pan American; she worked in the Rio Grande City Consolidated 24 Independent School District for nearly three decades, beginning her

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career as a teacher in 1970 and rising to become district assistant
superintendent for business and operations; and

3 WHEREAS, In all her endeavors, Ms. Pena enjoys the support 4 and encouragement of her husband, Guadalupe Pena, and their 5 children, Guadalupe Pena, Jr., Dr. Deanna Pena Garcia, and Ernesto 6 Pena; and

7 WHEREAS, Diana Pena demonstrated high professional standards 8 and exceptional dedication to educational excellence throughout 9 her tenure at South Texas College, and her contributions will 10 continue to benefit the school in the years to come; now, therefore, 11 be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 13 Legislature hereby congratulate Diana Pena on her retirement as 14 vice president of finance and administrative services for South 15 Texas College and extend to her sincere best wishes for the future; 16 and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 18 prepared for Ms. Pena as an expression of high regard by the Texas 19 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 589 was adopted by the House on March 10, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House