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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The vitality of the political process in Texas

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2 depends on the active participation of its citizens, and Jenny Rebecca Sykes has exemplified this spirit of civic engagement 3 through her outstanding service to the Republican Party of Texas; 4 5 and WHEREAS, A native of Dallas, Ms. Sykes became engaged in 6 7 politics while still a college student; she served the Texas Senate as a messenger during the 78th Texas Legislative Session and then 8 went to work for the Republican Party of Texas after graduating from 9 The University of Texas at Austin in 2004 with a bachelor's degree 10 in French and a minor in business; initially, she served as the 11 12 executive assistant to the chair and executive director and as the State Republican Executive Committee coordinator; she was soon 13 14 asked to expand her duties, and she played a critical role in the planning of the RPT State Conventions in 2006, 2008, and 2010; in 15 addition to organizing a massive Republican rally featuring 16 President George W. Bush in Sugar Land in 2006, she coordinated the 17 Texas Presidential Straw Poll in 2007 and served as the Texas 18 delegation coordinator for the Republican National Convention in 19 2008; and 20 21 WHEREAS, Ms. Sykes became organizational director 22 primary elections administrator in 2007, and she served as a 23 faithful liaison to the State Republican Executive Committee, the

254 Republican county chairs, and the RPT auxiliary organizations;

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- 1 moreover, she administered the Republican Primary elections in
- 2 Texas in 2008 and 2010; she has further benefited the party by
- 3 developing its infrastructure, recruiting new party leaders,
- 4 providing training to party members and activists, assisting the
- 5 2007 inaugural committee of Governor Rick Perry and Lieutenant
- 6 Governor David Dewhurst, and serving as a co-coordinator of the
- 7 RPT's Texas Republican House Committee effort and Hands Off Texas!
- 8 movement in 2009 and 2010; and
- 9 WHEREAS, In the spring of 2011, Ms. Sykes embarked on a new
- 10 chapter in her career, joining the Michael Williams for United
- 11 States Senate Committee as director of finance and organization;
- 12 and
- 13 WHEREAS, Jenny Rebecca Sykes served the Republican Party of
- 14 Texas with enormous skill and dedication during a transition period
- 15 that spanned three election cycles under three state chairs, and
- 16 she may indeed take pride in her notable contributions; now,
- 17 therefore, be it
- 18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 19 Legislature hereby honor Jenny Rebecca Sykes for her service to the
- 20 Republican Party of Texas and extend to her sincere best wishes for
- 21 continued success; and, be it further
- 22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 23 prepared for Ms. Sykes as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 24 House of Representatives.

Taylor of Galveston

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2336 was adopted by the House on May 30, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House