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H.R. No. 2525

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Ruth Jones McClendon, state
2 representative for District 120, has established the McClendon
3 Legislative Scholars Program at The University of Texas at San
4 Antonio; and

5 WHEREAS, Since 2004, the McClendon Scholars Program, which is
6 also known as the UTSA Legislative Scholars Program, has provided
7 students with the chance to work full-time at the State Capitol
8 during legislative sessions; Representative McClendon worked with
9 Dr. Richard Gambitta, director of the university's Institute for
10 Law and Public Affairs, to create this program, which allows
11 participants to expand their knowledge and gain firsthand
12 experience in Texas politics and government; and

13 WHEREAS, Representative McClendon has worked closely with
14 UTSA and many donors to develop this prestigious program, which
15 includes a \$10,000 stipend; for the 82nd Legislative Session, she
16 raised sufficient funds to offer this unique opportunity to 10
17 students, the largest class of scholars to date; by the end of this
18 session, 26 McClendon Scholars will have successfully completed the
19 program, and a number of its alumni have gone on to pursue careers
20 in public service after graduation; and

21 WHEREAS, By creating this significant initiative,
22 Representative McClendon has enhanced the educational experience
23 of a select group of young Texans, and in so doing, she is helping
24 prepare a future generation of leaders; now, therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
2 Legislature hereby commend the Honorable Ruth Jones McClendon for
3 her efforts in establishing and supporting the McClendon
4 Legislative Scholars Program and congratulate her on its success;
5 and, be it further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
7 prepared for Representative McClendon as an expression of high
8 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.