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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Xiomara Catalina Quesada Luque of Honduras and other professionals from Latin America were invited to participate in a U.S. Department of State International Visitor Leadership Program in May 2013, and Dallas was among the cities included on their tour; and

6 WHEREAS, Established in 1940, IVLP connects current and 7 emerging foreign leaders with their American counterparts through 8 short-term exchanges; an initiative of the Bureau of Educational 9 and Cultural Affairs, the program centers around a project theme 10 and typically includes visits to four U.S. communities; and

11 WHEREAS, With a focus on the administration of justice, this 12 IVLP event was designed to help leaders from other countries deepen 13 their understanding of the civil, criminal, juvenile, and military 14 justice systems in the United States; participants examined the 15 underlying principles of the U.S. judicial and legal systems and 16 studied the administration of courts, case management, the trial by 17 jury process, and alternative dispute resolution; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Quesada Luque brought a valuable perspective to the experience; she has a bachelor's degree in law and social sciences and a law degree from National Autonomous University of Honduras, as well as a master's degree in criminal procedures, and she holds the position of Public Defender, Juvenile Justice Sector; and

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WHEREAS, The International Visitor Leadership Program helps

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1 bridge cultural and political divides, and the exchange of ideas 2 that the program facilitates is sure to benefit citizens of both 3 Honduras and the United States; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor Xiomara Catalina
Quesada Luque for her participation in the U.S. Department of State
International Visitor Leadership Program in May 2013 and extend to
her sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 10 prepared for Ms. Quesada Luque as an expression of high regard by 11 the Texas House of Representatives.

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