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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Jorge Arturo Gutierrez Munoz of Mexico and other professionals from Latin America were invited to participate in a 2 U.S. Department of State International Visitor Leadership Program 3 in May 2013, and Dallas was among the cities included on their tour; 4 5 and WHEREAS, Established in 1940, IVLP connects current and 6 7 emerging foreign leaders with their American counterparts through short-term exchanges; an initiative of the Bureau of Educational 8 9 and Cultural Affairs, the program centers around a project theme

and typically includes visits to four U.S. communities; and

WHEREAS, With a focus on the administration of justice, this

IVLP event was designed to help leaders from other countries deepen
their understanding of the civil, criminal, juvenile, and military
justice systems in the United States; participants examined the
underlying principles of the U.S. judicial and legal systems and
studied the administration of courts, case management, the trial by

17 jury process, and alternative dispute resolution; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gutierrez Munoz brought a valuable perspective to the experience; he holds a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in law from Autonomous University of Chihuahua and is an external consultant and trainer for the American Bar Association Rule of Law Initiative in Mexico City; and

WHEREAS, The International Visitor Leadership Program helps bridge cultural and political divides, and the exchange of ideas

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- 1 that the program facilitates is sure to benefit citizens of both
- 2 Mexico and the United States; now, therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 4 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor Jorge Arturo
- 5 Gutierrez Munoz for his participation in the U.S. Department of
- 6 State International Visitor Leadership Program in May 2013 and
- 7 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
- 8 further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for Mr. Gutierrez Munoz as an expression of high regard by
- 11 the Texas House of Representatives.