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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Alejandro Rios Covian Silveira of Mexico and other 2 professionals from Latin America were invited to participate in a 3 U.S. Department of State International Visitor Leadership Program 4 in May 2013, and Dallas was among the cities included on their tour; 5 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

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Rios Covian Silveira brought a valuable 19 perspective to the experience; he holds a bachelor's degree in law 20 from Autonomous University of Yucatan and is the head of litigation 21 and the acting head of the legal department for the Yucatan State 22 Public Security Secretariat; and

23 WHEREAS, The International Visitor Leadership Program helps 24 bridge cultural and political divides, and the exchange of ideas

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H.R. No. 19 1 that the program facilitates is sure to benefit citizens of both 2 Mexico and the United States; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor Alejandro Rios Covian Silveira for his participation in the U.S. Department of State International Visitor Leadership Program in May 2013 and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for Mr. Rios Covian Silveira as an expression of high 10 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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