## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Maria Jose Arauz Henriquez of Nicaragua 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
- WHEREAS, Ms. Arauz Henriquez brought a valuable perspective
- 19 to the experience; she holds a master's degree in business law from
- 20 National Autonomous University of Nicaragua-Managua and is First
- 21 Family District Judge in Managua; she also is a member of a
- 22 commission concerning international agreements on administrative
- 23 and judicial procedures; and
- 24 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
- 3 Nicaragua and the United States; now, therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 5 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor Maria Jose Arauz
- 6 Henriquez for her participation in the U.S. Department of State
- 7 International Visitor Leadership Program in May 2013 and extend to
- 8 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. Arauz Henriquez as an expression of high regard by
- 11 the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 20 was adopted by the House on June 21, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House