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R E S O L U T I O N

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;
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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, 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

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.