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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Jacob Alonso Orribarra of Panama 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, Mr. Orribarra brought a valuable perspective to the
19 experience; he has a bachelor's degree in law and political science
20 and a master's degree in law, higher education, and environmental
21 law and holds the position of Public Defender; and

22 WHEREAS, The International Visitor Leadership Program helps
23 bridge cultural and political divides, and the exchange of ideas
24 that the program facilitates is sure to benefit citizens of both

1 Panama and the United States; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
3 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor Jacob Alonso
4 Orribarra for his participation in the U.S. Department of State
5 International Visitor Leadership Program in May 2013 and extend to
6 him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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