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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Kristine Elizabeth Meza Memorial Foundation is 2 dedicated to raising awareness of the devastating effects of 3 domestic violence, to supporting education, and to funding women's 4 shelters; and

5 WHEREAS, This noteworthy organization was created in tribute 6 to Kristine Elizabeth Meza, a Laredo native who was killed by her 7 ex-boyfriend outside her home in San Antonio on February 11, 2011, 8 when she was just 25 years old; and

9 WHEREAS, A vibrant and caring young woman, Ms. Meza was the 10 daughter of Agustin Meza III and Laura Acevedo; known for her 11 radiant smile, outgoing personality, and positive attitude, she 12 brightened the days of innumerable people, and her strong faith was 13 a source of inspiration to others; she was working her way through 14 school and had been accepted into the nursing program at San Antonio 15 College shortly before her death; and

16 WHEREAS, Following her murder, her father established the 17 Kristine Elizabeth Meza Memorial Foundation, which raises funds for 18 academic scholarships and women's shelters with an annual golf 19 tournament, makes presentations to educate the public about 20 domestic violence, and supports the Garden of Hope at the Casa de 21 Misericordia shelter in Laredo to serve as a place of solace for 22 abused women and their children; and

23 WHEREAS, Today, the Kristine E. Meza Memorial Foundation is 24 guided by a board of directors that includes Agustin Meza III,

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president, Vilma Saenz, vice president, Vilma Melinda Meza, second
vice president, Laura Cabello, treasurer, Selma Gonzalez,
secretary, Michelle Bullock, second secretary, Saul Meza,
parliamentarian, and three organization speakers, Selma Melinda
Gonzalez, Veronica Gonzalez, and Nitza Gonzalez; and

6 WHEREAS, The tragic death of Kristine Meza brought a great 7 loss to her family and her many friends, and the foundation 8 established in her honor is committed to continuing her legacy of 9 compassion by assisting those who suffer from domestic violence; 10 now, therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas 12 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of 13 Kristine Elizabeth Meza and commend the members of the Kristine 14 Elizabeth Meza Memorial Foundation for their important work; and, 15 be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 17 prepared for the foundation as an expression of high regard by the 18 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 98 was adopted by the House on July 18, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House