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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Victoria Neave has been elected chair of the
Southeast Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce; and

3 WHEREAS, A native of Dallas, Ms. Neave has amassed an 4 impressive resume in law and social advocacy; she is a 2009 magna 5 cum laude graduate of the Thurgood Marshall School of Law at Texas 6 Southern University, and, while there, she received myriad awards 7 for her academic excellence and her performance in moot court and 8 other competitions; and

WHEREAS, Early in her career, Ms. Neave worked pro bono for 9 nonprofit organizations, including the League of United Latin 10 11 American Citizens; during that time, she provided counsel on a 12 range of legal issues, mediated meetings involving government entities, successfully represented low-income families, and 13 14 assisted in the design of a dropout prevention program that won a \$20,000 grant; a member of the board of directors for a center 15 serving low-income seniors, she also co-chaired the 2010 Latino 16 Elderly Conference to inform senior citizens of their legal rights; 17 18 and

WHEREAS, In 2011, Ms. Neave joined Weil, Gotshal & Manges, a 19 top-ranked international law firm, where she handled a number of 20 21 high-profile cases in behalf of major corporate clients; she 22 continued to provide pro bono assistance as Weil's 2012 Lend-A-Lawyer to the Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program and as part 23 24 team that successfully argued for a Texas of а inmate's compensation in a wrongful imprisonment case; in addition to these 25

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3 WHEREAS, This distinguished legal professional most recently opened her own practice, the Victoria Neave Law Firm, which serves 4 5 clients across Texas; she is the current vice president of the board of La Voz del Anciano, which ministers to the needs of the elderly 6 population in Dallas, as well as a board member of the Dallas 7 8 Hispanic Bar Association and the co-chair of its pro bono committee; a member of the 2012 Dallas Association of Young Lawyers 9 10 Leadership Class, she now serves as a representative for the states 11 of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Louisiana in the Hispanic 12 National Bar Association Young Lawyers Division; and

WHEREAS, Engaged in her community and dedicated to her profession, Victoria Neave brings energy and commitment to her duties as chair of the Southeast Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and she may reflect with pride on her achievements thus far as she takes on this challenging new role; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas 19 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate Victoria 20 Neave on her election as chair of the Southeast Dallas Hispanic 21 Chamber of Commerce and the opening of her own law practice and 22 extend to her sincere best wishes for a productive and rewarding 23 future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Ms. Neave as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 145 was adopted by the House on July 25, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House