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H.R. No. 145

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Victoria Neave has been elected chair of the  
2 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

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

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

1 compensation in a wrongful imprisonment case; in addition to these  
2 responsibilities, she offered counsel in family law, probate, and  
3 civil proceedings; and

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

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

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

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