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H.R. No. 1098

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to
2 welcome the reigning Feria de las Flores queen, Mariela Hernandez,
3 and contestants of the 2013 Scholarship Pageant to the State
4 Capitol on April 9, 2013; and

5 WHEREAS, The pageant has been sponsored by LULAC Council No.
6 1 since 1959; through the generous support of the South Texas
7 business community, LULAC has distributed more than \$1.5 million in
8 scholarship funds to students throughout the Coastal Bend area; and

9 WHEREAS, The competition's contestants are judged in six
10 categories: beauty, personality, poise, costume, dance routine,
11 and onstage question, and the event, which is designed to pay
12 tribute to the heritage of Mexican American citizens, features
13 music, dance, and dress that typify various regions south of the
14 border; and

15 WHEREAS, Joining last year's winner, reigning queen Mariela
16 Hernandez, and pageant sponsors Elva Estrada, Olivia Barrera, and
17 Sylvia Garza, the talented individuals participating in this year's
18 competition are Destinee Martinez of Robstown, Mona-elo Martinez of
19 Kingsville, and Karen Cantu, Kimberly De La Fuente, Lauren
20 Martinez, Ivonne Ramirez, Amber San Miguel, Heather Segovia, Alyssa
21 Sifuentes, and Iliana Silvas, all of Corpus Christi; and

22 WHEREAS, Through their involvement, these contestants have
23 demonstrated great cultural pride and community spirit, and they
24 may indeed look forward to bright and promising futures; now,

1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
3 Legislature hereby welcome Mariela Hernandez, the reigning queen of
4 Feria de las Flores, and the 2013 pageant contestants to the State
5 Capitol and extend to them sincere best wishes for a memorable
6 visit; and, be it further

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