RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Meredith Earwood has provided valuable public 2 service to the people of the great State of Texas as scheduler and 3 legislative assistant in the office of State Representative Four Price since before the opening of the 83rd Texas Legislature; and 4 5 WHEREAS, Ms. Earwood has applied her academic knowledge and gained practical hands-on experience in Texas government through 6 7 the Agricultural and Natural Resources Policy Internship Program of 8 Texas A&M University; and 9

9 WHEREAS, This accomplished young woman was selected for her 10 internship assignment by the office of Representative Price after 11 an extensive interview process, during which she stood out by 12 virtue of her mature, well-reasoned, and succinct responses to the 13 many and varied questions posed to intern candidates; and

14 WHEREAS, Ms. Earwood is capably handling the many diverse responsibilities assigned to her in the role of scheduler and 15 legislative assistant; her key office duties have included relaying 16 incoming communications to the appropriate office staff, greeting 17 visitors, handling daily correspondence, and resolving constituent 18 concerns; moreover, she has assisted with constituent casework, 19 ensured the timely arrival of groups being recognized in the house 20 21 overseen the representative's schedule, agricultural and water policy issues, and met with constituent and 22 23 advocacy groups regarding those policy areas; and

WHEREAS, Known for her ardent commitment to agriculture, Ms.

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- 1 Earwood has interacted with numerous agricultural associations
- 2 that have voiced positions on a host of legislative issues; she has
- 3 also served during the session as the staffer assigned by the
- 4 office's chief of staff to the House Natural Resources Committee,
- 5 where she assisted Representative Price in successfully passing
- 6 Senate Bill 1282, relating to groundwater districts; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Well liked by her fellow Price staffers for her team
- 8 spirit and can-do attitude, friendly personality, and strong
- 9 "ranching" work ethic and habits, Ms. Earwood has consistently
- 10 arrived well before the appointed time and readily worked late,
- 11 remained calm and collected under pressure, demonstrated a genuine
- 12 desire to learn any task she was assigned, and completed all her
- 13 assignments in a responsible and timely fashion; and
- WHEREAS, After working this summer in Representative Price's
- 15 Capitol office, Ms. Earwood will return for her senior year to her
- 16 beloved Texas A&M University to complete her undergraduate degree
- 17 in agricultural leadership and development; following graduation,
- 18 she plans to pursue a master's degree in water management, and she
- 19 is exploring the idea of attending law school; given her work ethic
- 20 and the legislative experience she has gained at the Capitol, this
- 21 Fightin' Texas Aggie will undoubtedly excel in achieving her future
- 22 goals; now, therefore, be it
- 23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
- 24 Legislature hereby commend Meredith Earwood for her public service
- 25 as scheduler and legislative assistant in the office of State
- 26 Representative Four Price, thank her for her exemplary and noble
- 27 work in behalf of the citizens of Texas, and extend to her sincere

- 1 best wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 3 prepared for Ms. Earwood as an expression of high regard by the
- 4 Texas House of Representatives.

Price

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 3137 was adopted by the House on May 27, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House