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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Janey and Melvin Lack are being honored on February
 12, 2015, with the Distinguished Citizen Award by the South Texas
 Council of the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, Longtime residents of Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. Lack are the retired owners of the retail chain Lack's Stores, Inc., which Mr. Lack led as president and CEO and Mrs. Lack as vice president of marketing and advertising; the couple both completed master's degrees in business administration at Harvard University following their undergraduate studies, which Mr. Lack pursued at Rice University and Mrs. Lack at the University of Michigan; and

11 WHEREAS, Over the years, this esteemed pair have given freely 12 of their time and energy to a wide range of organizations; Melvin Lack has served as treasurer of the board of the Victoria Chamber of 13 14 Commerce, as president and vice president of the board of the Victoria Economic Development Corporation, and as a member of the 15 boards of the United Way, the Victoria Fine Arts Association, and 16 Congregation B'nai Israel; in addition, he is the founding chair of 17 the Victoria Business and Education Coalition, and he has 18 co-chaired successful campaigns to pass bond issues for Victoria 19 20 College and for the Victoria Independent School District; and

21 WHEREAS, Janey Lack has likewise rendered exceptional 22 service in the public realm; currently a member of advisory 23 councils for The University of Texas at Austin and the University of 24 Michigan, she has also held a seat on the Higher Education

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Commission for the University of Houston and the State Job Training 1 Coordinating Council and chaired the Educational Economic Policy 2 Center, the Texas Council on Vocational Education, and the 3 Governor's Task Force on Literacy; locally, she has served on the 4 5 Victoria City Council and led the Victoria Parks and Recreation Commission, the Metropolitan Planning Organization, 6 and the Victoria Tax Increment Finance Board; she has also supported a 7 number of worthy causes and organizations, among them the Victoria 8 Symphony Society, whose endowment trust she has chaired; and 9

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10 WHEREAS, For her many contributions, Mrs. Lack has received such accolades as the Outstanding Citizen Award from the Victoria 11 12 Rotary Club, the People Who Make a Difference Award from the University of Houston, and the Victoria Women of Achievement Award; 13 14 Mr. Lack has been honored with the Jaycee Distinguished Citizens 15 Award and with the inaugural Golden Diploma Award from the Victoria Chamber of Commerce; in 2007, the Lacks were selected as Retailers 16 17 of the Year by the National Home Furnishings Association, an organization that Mr. Lack has served variously as president, 18 19 treasurer, and board chair; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Lack have been married for close to 21 five decades, and they are deeply devoted to their family, which 22 today includes their children, David Lack, Jeffrey Lack and his 23 wife, Cinda, and Julie Lack, and their grandchildren, Clara, Ellie, 24 Grace, Mason, and Mackenzie; and

WHEREAS, An inspiring husband and wife team, Janey and Melvin Lack have made a lasting difference through their generous volunteer efforts, and they are indeed richly deserving of this

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1 most recent tribute; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas 3 Legislature hereby honor Janey and Melvin Lack on their receipt of 4 the Distinguished Citizen Award from the South Texas Council of the 5 Boy Scouts of America and extend to them sincere best wishes for the 6 future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Lack 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. 326 was adopted by the House on February 19, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House