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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Respected speech pathologist Carmen Pagan is being
- 2 honored as a 2015 Pillar of Success by The University of Texas-Pan
- 3 American Alumni Association at its Alumni Ball on February 27,
- 4 2015; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Each year, the UTPA Alumni Association celebrates a
- 6 select group of distinguished alumni for their professional
- 7 excellence and for their service to the community and their alma
- 8 mater; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Carmen Pagan earned her bachelor's and master's
- 10 degrees in communication disorders from UTPA in 1987 and 1989,
- 11 respectively, and over the past two decades, she has achieved a
- 12 sterling reputation with her clinical work as a bilingual
- 13 speech-language pathologist, specializing in the treatment of
- 14 children with neuromuscular disorders; and
- WHEREAS, This accomplished woman is a co-owner and executive
- 16 board member of Milestones Therapeutic Associates; she holds
- 17 membership in both the American and Texas Speech-Language-Hearing
- 18 Associations and has chaired the certification committee of the
- 19 Neuro-Developmental Treatment Association; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Ms. Pagan has also given generously of her time and
- 21 talents as a member of several state advisory panels; she is
- 22 currently serving as chair of the Governor's Commission for Women,
- 23 a group to which she was first appointed by Governor Rick Perry in
- 24 2005, and she has served on the State Health Services Council;

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- 1 engaged in constructive endeavors at the local level as well, she is
- 2 a sustaining member of the Junior League of McAllen; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Benefiting from the solid educational foundation
- 4 that she received at UTPA, Carmen Pagan has made a positive
- 5 difference in the lives of countless children and demonstrated her
- 6 commitment to her community and her state, and she is indeed a
- 7 worthy recipient of this prestigious honor; now, therefore, be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
  - Legislature hereby congratulate Carmen Pagan on her selection as a
- 10 2015 Pillar of Success by The University of Texas-Pan American
- 11 Alumni Association and extend to her sincere best wishes for
- 12 continued success and happiness; and, be it further
- 13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 14 prepared for Ms. Pagan as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 15 House of Representatives.