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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Barbara Canales is being honored with a Y Women in  
2 Careers Award by the YWCA in Corpus Christi on March 5, 2015; and

3           WHEREAS, The Corpus Christi YWCA has been recognizing  
4 accomplished women in the community through this awards program for  
5 the past 35 years; those chosen for the distinction have all  
6 achieved a notable degree of success in their respective fields,  
7 and as women who demonstrate integrity, a ready willingness to take  
8 on new challenges, and a commitment to excellence, they serve as  
9 outstanding role models for young girls, whose empowerment is a  
10 crucial part of the YWCA mission; and

11           WHEREAS, Barbara Canales, creator and president of the Ready  
12 or Not Foundation, is a fitting recipient of this prestigious  
13 accolade; when her daughter, Jackie, was diagnosed with a brain  
14 tumor in 2006, Ms. Canales was inspired to start the foundation,  
15 which has so far raised \$2.5 million for pediatric brain cancer  
16 research; her daughter is currently in remission, and Ms. Canales  
17 hopes that the foundation will serve as a source of inspiration and  
18 optimism for other families; and

19           WHEREAS, In addition to her work with the Ready or Not  
20 Foundation, Ms. Canales is a practicing attorney and a petroleum  
21 engineer; presently she serves as a commissioner with the Port of  
22 Corpus Christi, where she is a member of the audit, security, and  
23 asset management committees; and

24           WHEREAS, Through the skill and determination she brings to

1 all her efforts, Barbara Canales has earned the esteem of her peers  
2 and made contributions to her community that will resonate far into  
3 the future; now, therefore, be it

4         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
5 Legislature hereby congratulate Barbara Canales on receiving a 2015  
6 Y Women in Careers Award from the YWCA of Corpus Christi and extend  
7 to her sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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