

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Women's Business Center in Edinburg celebrated
2 its 10th anniversary in September 2014, and this milestone
3 represents a fitting opportunity to take note of the organization's
4 contributions to women entrepreneurs in the Rio Grande Valley; and

5 WHEREAS, Established by the Southwest Community Investment
6 Corporation in 2004, the Women's Business Center seeks to empower
7 traditionally disadvantaged women in the Valley by promoting the
8 creation and development of women-owned businesses; and

9 WHEREAS, The center's services include mentoring sessions
10 with professionals, assistance with loan applications and business
11 plan development, market research, and financial analysis; the
12 center also helps its clients get access to credit and capital and
13 identifies opportunities for trade and federal contracts; and

14 WHEREAS, In its first decade, the Women's Business Center has
15 helped nearly 100 women either start or expand a business, and it
16 has provided training in finance, management, and other skills to
17 approximately 3,000 additional clients; and

18 WHEREAS, Under the leadership of executive director Maria
19 "Charo" Mann, the Women's Business Center has provided many women
20 in the Rio Grande Valley with the tools, the knowledge, and the
21 inspiration to meet the challenges and opportunities of the future;
22 now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
24 Legislature hereby commemorate the 10th anniversary of the Women's

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1 Business Center in Edinburg and extend to the center's staff and
2 clients sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
3 further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for the center as an expression of high regard by the Texas
6 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 618 was adopted by the House on February 25, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House