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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Vanessa Moreno has made a positive difference in the

2 lives of area children in need by serving as a Court Appointed

3 Special Advocate volunteer; and

4 WHEREAS, CASA is a nonprofit organization that relies on

5 trained volunteers to act as representatives for children who are

6 removed from their homes due to abuse or neglect; through the

7 program, advocates are assigned to gather information and make

8 recommendations that assist judges in reaching decisions that serve

9 the best interests of each child; and

10 WHEREAS, The dedicated men and women of CASA provide children

11 with a crucial voice in the often overburdened judicial and

12 protective services systems and ensure that they receive the

13 attention they need until they are placed in a permanent home; in

14 many cases, advocates offer a rare source of stability to young

15 people coping with a traumatic and uncertain time in their lives;

16 and

17 WHEREAS, The safety and well-being of children are of deep

18 concern to all citizens, and by devoting considerable time and

19 effort to fulfill a critical need in the community, Vanessa Moreno

20 has set an admirable example to which others may aspire; now,

21 therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas

23 Legislature hereby commend Vanessa Moreno for serving as a Court

24 Appointed Special Advocate volunteer and extend to this caring

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