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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Shanty Zumaya, a fifth-grade student at Corina Peña  
2 Elementary School in Penitas, has earned great distinction for  
3 herself and her hometown by advancing to the finals of the third  
4 season of *La Voz Kids*; and

5           WHEREAS, *La Voz Kids*, which airs on Telemundo, is a junior  
6 version of the American singing competition *The Voice* in which  
7 contestants vie for a five-year recording contract and a \$50,000  
8 cash prize supporting their education; invited to participate in  
9 the program in January 2015, Shanty impressed all three judges on  
10 the panel and ultimately chose Mexican singer and actor Pedro  
11 Fernández as her vocal coach; the final round begins on May 2 and  
12 will consist of 18 young contestants; and

13           WHEREAS, Born and raised in Penitas, Shanty is the daughter  
14 of Osmin and Maria Zumaya and the sister of two brothers, Samir and  
15 Angel; her father has played an especially significant role in  
16 nurturing her gifts since she began singing when she was just four  
17 years old; she has gone on to perform at the Penitas White Wing  
18 Festival and La Posada de Ramon Ayala, and she has served as an  
19 opening act for such artists as La Mafia, Los Trailereros, Michael  
20 Salgado, and Intocable; and

21           WHEREAS, With her spectacular showing, Shanty Zumaya has  
22 demonstrated poise and musical talent befitting a rising star, and  
23 she is a source of tremendous pride to her family and community  
24 alike; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
2 Legislature hereby congratulate Shanty Zumaya on her selection as a  
3 finalist on *La Voz Kids* and extend to her sincere best wishes for  
4 continued success; and, be it further

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