

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Natalie Jenkins Sorrell is being presented with the  
2 Motherhood: The Lifetime Achievement Award by Dallas Can Academies  
3 on May 8, 2015, in honor of her commitment to education, family, and  
4 the community; and

5           WHEREAS, The director of investments for the \$3.4 billion  
6 Employees' Retirement Fund for the City of Dallas, Ms. Sorrell  
7 oversees the design and implementation of the overall investment  
8 strategy for ERF; since joining the group in 2006, she has led the  
9 effort to fulfill new private equity, private real estate, global  
10 equity, and master limited partnership allocations of more than  
11 \$600 million; she has also played an integral role in the  
12 establishment of the Next Generation Manager Program, allocating  
13 percent of the fund to smaller, newer, and/or minority-owned  
14 investment managers across asset classes; and

15           WHEREAS, Ms. Sorrell began her distinguished career in  
16 finance with the mergers and acquisitions group in investment  
17 banking at J. P. Morgan in New York City; she went on to join the  
18 private equity arm of GE Capital, GE Equity, and later worked in  
19 both global strategy and finance director posts at publishers  
20 McGraw-Hill and Voyager Expanded Learning; and

21           WHEREAS, An honors graduate of Spelman College, Ms. Sorrell  
22 earned her MBA from the Wharton School at the University of  
23 Pennsylvania; frequently recognized for her many accomplishments,  
24 she was named a German Marshall Fellow in 2009, and in 2011 she

1 received the Rising Star of Public Funds Award from *Institutional*  
2 *Investor*; more recently, she has been honored as one of the *Dallas*  
3 *Business Journal's* "40 Under Forty" and as one of the 40 Under Forty  
4 Investment Officers by *aiCIO*; and

5 WHEREAS, This esteemed executive has given back to her fellow  
6 North Texas residents through her work as chair of the investment  
7 committee of Big Thought, a Dallas-based nonprofit focused on  
8 creative learning solutions for at-risk youth; she is also active  
9 in the capital campaign for the Methodist Health System Foundation  
10 and, as a member of the Dallas Chapter of The Links, Inc., she has  
11 led efforts to educate minority students in science, technology,  
12 engineering, and math; and

13 WHEREAS, Married to Michael J. Sorrell, president of Paul  
14 Quinn College, Ms. Sorrell is a devoted mother to a young son and  
15 daughter; and

16 WHEREAS, Natalie Jenkins Sorrell has set an inspiring example  
17 of professional excellence and civic engagement, all while  
18 balancing the demands of a growing family, and she may take great  
19 pride in her many successes; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas  
21 Legislature hereby honor Natalie Jenkins Sorrell on her receipt of  
22 the Motherhood: The Lifetime Achievement Award from Dallas Can  
23 Academies and extend to her sincere best wishes for the future; and,  
24 be it further

H.R. No. 2676

1           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
2 prepared for Ms. Sorrell as an expression of high regard by the  
3 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2676 was adopted by the House on May 21, 2015, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House