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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Ricardo Flores, a 2017 graduate of the Americas High
2 School Libertas Academy in El Paso, has been named the 2017 Student
3 of the Year by the National Speech & Debate Association; and

4 WHEREAS, This prestigious award is given each year to a
5 graduating senior from the National Speech & Debate Association who
6 best represents the organization's code of honor, which emphasizes
7 integrity, humility, respect, leadership, and service; and

8 WHEREAS, A most deserving recipient, Ricardo Flores
9 graduated fourth in his class from the law and government magnet
10 program at the Libertas Academy, and as a senior, he qualified in
11 five events at the Texas Forensic Association State Tournament;
12 during his exemplary high school career, he served as head captain
13 of the forensics team, as president of the National Technical Honor
14 Society, as parliamentarian of the National Honor Society, and as a
15 member of the district superintendent's student advisory
16 committee; moreover, he generously gave of his time and talents to
17 assist with a number of worthy volunteer projects; and

18 WHEREAS, This notable young Texan has demonstrated
19 exceptional initiative and determination in the pursuit of his
20 goals, and he may indeed reflect with pride on this high honor as he
21 looks ahead to a future bright with promise; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
23 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby congratulate Ricardo
24 Flores on his selection as the National Speech & Debate Association

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1 2017 Student of the Year and extend to him sincere best wishes for
2 continued success; and, be it further

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