

By: Longoria

H.R. No. 238

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Renee Rodriguez-Betancourt was sworn in as the judge  
2 of State District Court 449 at a ceremony in Edinburg on January 1,  
3 2017, becoming the youngest district judge currently serving in the  
4 State of Texas; and

5           WHEREAS, An Edinburg native, Ms. Rodriguez-Betancourt  
6 graduated from Edinburg High School in 1999, and she went on to earn  
7 a bachelor's degree at The University of Texas--Pan American and a  
8 law degree from The University of Texas at Austin; she established a  
9 law practice in her hometown in 2012; and

10           WHEREAS, Elected in May 2016, Judge Rodriguez-Betancourt  
11 will serve a four-year term as the district judge presiding over  
12 cases concerning juveniles in Hidalgo County; in preparation, she  
13 visited juvenile courts in several counties across the Lone Star  
14 State, including Cameron, Bexar, and El Paso, where she examined  
15 the practices of veteran juvenile judges; and

16           WHEREAS, In all her endeavors, Ms. Rodriguez-Betancourt has  
17 greatly benefited from the love and support of her husband, J. R.  
18 Betancourt, and their three daughters; and

19           WHEREAS, Judge Rodriguez-Betancourt brings to the 449th  
20 District Court her professionalism, legal expertise, and  
21 unwavering commitment to excellence, and she may indeed take pride  
22 in all that she has accomplished in her career thus far as she takes  
23 on the challenges and opportunities of her new office; now,  
24 therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
2 Legislature hereby congratulate the Honorable Renee  
3 Rodriguez-Betancourt on becoming the judge of the 449th State  
4 District Court and extend to her sincere best wishes for success in  
5 her important work; and, be it further

6           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
7 prepared for Judge Rodriguez-Betancourt as an expression of high  
8 regard by the Texas House of Representatives.