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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dr. Michelle Kraft is being recognized with the Arts
Award by the YWCA of Lubbock at its annual Women of Excellence
awards ceremony on March 9, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Created in 1989, the Women of Excellence awards honor individuals for their contributions as leaders and volunteers, highlighting the vital roles that women play in civic and professional endeavors in the Lubbock area; and

WHEREAS, A generous and inspiring mentor, Dr. Kraft is 8 professor of art education and assistant dean at Lubbock Christian 9 University; she is also active in disability studies as the 10 11 coauthor of Including Difference: A Communitarian Approach to Art 12 Education in the Least Restrictive Environment, and through her work with the John F. Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., she has 13 14 helped to establish national arts standards that include disability; and 15

16 WHEREAS, With her receipt of a Women of Excellence award, 17 Dr. Michelle Kraft joins an elite group of women who have been 18 honored by the YWCA of Lubbock, and she is indeed a worthy role 19 model for this and future generations; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas 21 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Michelle Kraft on her receipt 22 of the 2017 Arts Award from the YWCA of Lubbock and extend to her 23 sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further 24 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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H.R. No. 4731 prepared for Dr. Kraft as an expression of high regard by the Texas2 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 473 was adopted by the House on February 20, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House