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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Marco Govea of McAllen has begun to win acclaim 2 across the Rio Grande Valley and the State of Texas for his work as 3 an artist; and

WHEREAS, Marco Antonio Govea was born into a family of migrant workers in Iowa City, Iowa, in 1975; he grew up in Premont, Texas, and at the age of five, he started drawing murals in pencil on his bedroom wall; and

8 WHEREAS, In 2001, Mr. Govea moved from San Antonio to the Rio 9 Grande Valley, where he attended Texas State Technical College in 10 Harlingen, earning an associate degree in drafting and design; he 11 also studied charcoal and ink drawing with the artists Hector 12 Aristo and Aldo Biglione; Mr. Govea began experimenting with 13 acrylic and oil painting as well, and in 2005, he joined the McAllen 14 Creative Incubator; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Govea's art has been featured many 15 in publications across the Valley, and he has shown work at art 16 exhibitions and galleries in McAllen, Brownsville, and Corpus 17 Christi; he has also demonstrated considerable talent in other 18 genres, including photography, digital art, sculpture, print 19 making, and woodworking, and he has completed several commissioned 20 21 murals; his vivid and colorful work reflects such influences as expressionism, cubism, and surrealism, and some of his paintings 22 23 reflect his Native American heritage as a Lipan Apache; and

24 WHEREAS, Today, Marco Govea is at the peak of his creative

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1 powers, and his imaginative and distinctive artworks represent a 2 significant contribution to the vibrant artistic community of the 3 Lone Star State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
Legislature hereby commend Marco Govea on his achievements as an
artist and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success;
and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for Mr. Govea as an expression of high regard by the Texas 10 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 617 was adopted by the House on March 2, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House