

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Jessica Rivera won the 64th annual South Texas
2 Regional Spelling Bee held at the Congressman Solomon P. Ortiz
3 International Center in Corpus Christi on February 25, 2017, to the
4 delight of her family and friends; and

5 WHEREAS, Triumphant over nearly 100 other students from area
6 elementary and middle schools, Jessica made it to the finals, and
7 after 14 rounds, she claimed first place by correctly spelling the
8 word "mochi"; with her impressive victory, she earned a
9 championship trophy as well as the opportunity to compete in the
10 2017 Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C.; and

11 WHEREAS, The daughter of Matilde and Olga Rivera, Jessica is
12 an eighth grader at Cunningham Middle School, where she is the
13 five-time champion of the campus spelling bee and participates in
14 the robotics club, student council, the National Junior Honor
15 Society, band, golf, and the Teen Trendsetters reading mentorship
16 program; she has also secured a place on the honor roll for the
17 third consecutive year, and in her spare time, she enjoys playing
18 piano; and

19 WHEREAS, Through her exceptional ability, hard work, and
20 commitment to excellence, Jessica Rivera has brought great pride to
21 her family, her school, and the South Texas community at large, and
22 she is indeed deserving of recognition for this outstanding
23 accomplishment; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas

H.R. No. 1026

1 Legislature hereby congratulate Jessica Rivera on winning the 64th
2 annual South Texas Regional Spelling Bee and extend to her sincere
3 best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1026 was adopted by the House on March 30, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House