By: Herrero

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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Dr. David Abarca of Corpus Christi has contributed 2 to the welfare of his fellow citizens through his leadership in 3 several areas of vital concern; and

WHEREAS, An alumnus of the University of Phoenix, Dr. Abarca earned a bachelor's degree in business administration, a master's degree in computer information systems, and a doctorate in education leadership; he has served as president of Cyber Security Solutions since 1999, and in 2002, he joined the faculty of Del Mar Ocllege, where he currently works as director of the cybersecurity program and as an associate professor of computer science; and

11 WHEREAS, Widely respected in his field, Dr. Abarca has served 12 on the Texas Cybersecurity, Education and Economic Development 13 Council for the past six years; moreover, in February 2017, he was 14 selected by the FBI to head the Coastal Bend Special Interest Group 15 of the bureau's Houston InfraGard program, an initiative designed 16 to help protect our nation's infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, In observance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month in 17 October 2016, Dr. Abarca generously volunteered his time as an 18 organizer for the Del Mar College Rocks Pink drive, which was part 19 20 of the national Real Men Wear Pink campaign of the American Cancer 21 Society; for the second consecutive year, he ardently promoted awareness of the fund-raiser by dyeing his hair and beard pink, and 22 23 he went on to successfully collect an average of \$100 per day that month; he was later honored for his outstanding efforts by the Del 24

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1 Mar College Board of Regents; and

2 WHEREAS, Dr. David Abarca has set a sterling example of civic 3 engagement, and it is truly a pleasure to honor him for his efforts 4 to help advance national security and cancer research; now, 5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas 7 Legislature hereby commend Dr. David Abarca on his significant 8 contributions to the public good and extend to him sincere best 9 wishes for the future; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 11 prepared for Dr. Abarca as an expression of high regard by the Texas 12 House of Representatives.