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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Sergeant Pablo Mendoza of the Fort Worth Police
2 Department is serving as an inspiring role model for many young men
3 in his community through his work with the Boys of Valor Club at
4 Manuel Jara Elementary School; and

5 WHEREAS, Boys of Valor stands for "Boys who Value Academics,
6 Leadership, Obedience, and Respect"; the club was founded by the
7 school principal, Marta Plata, as a program for boys in the fifth
8 grade with the goal of encouraging positive behaviors and reducing
9 bullying, gang recruitment, and disrespect for teachers; and

10 WHEREAS, In support of this worthwhile effort, Sergeant
11 Mendoza and two of his fellow FWPD officers visit the school weekly
12 to speak to the club's members about leadership and to engage
13 participants in a game of football or basketball; the officers
14 occasionally have lunch with the students as well, and they have
15 also helped to deliver Christmas trees during the holiday season
16 and participated in bicycle raffles; and

17 WHEREAS, A Fort Worth native, Sergeant Mendoza graduated from
18 the police academy in 1999; during his first eight years with the
19 FWPD, he served in a number of different capacities, including as a
20 patrol officer, a downtown bike patrol officer, and a member of the
21 Gang Enforcement Unit; he went on to join the North Division
22 Criminal Investigation Unit as a corporal and detective, and after
23 three years, he was selected as a member of the Intelligence
24 Section's criminal tracking unit; he earned promotion to the rank

1 of sergeant in 2013, and he currently serves in the North Division;
2 and

3 WHEREAS, By generously devoting his time and energy to this
4 worthwhile effort, Sergeant Mendoza is helping set club members on
5 the path to becoming responsible and productive citizens and
6 fostering a stronger relationship between the police and young men
7 in the community; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
9 Legislature hereby commend Sergeant Pablo Mendoza of the Fort Worth
10 Police Department for his contributions to the Boys of Valor Club
11 and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success in his
12 important work; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for Sergeant Mendoza as an expression of high regard by the
15 Texas House of Representatives.