

By: González of El Paso

H.R. No. 1521

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Georgina Cecilia Pérez of El Paso was elected to a
2 four-year term on the Texas State Board of Education on November 8,
3 2016; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of El Paso and a graduate of Eastwood High
5 School in the Ysleta Independent School District, Georgina Pérez
6 earned degrees in business administration and accounting and human
7 resource development along with a teaching certification from The
8 University of Texas at El Paso; she subsequently served Ysleta ISD
9 for more than a decade as an eighth-grade teacher, department
10 chair, teacher mentor, and professional development educator, and
11 she remains involved in curriculum development and educator
12 training; and

13 WHEREAS, Ms. Pérez has been active in promoting literacy
14 efforts as the founder of Tu Libro, which to date has distributed
15 more than 150,000 books to students living in rural and
16 impoverished communities in El Paso County who are without regular
17 access to a library; in addition, she and her team have spearheaded
18 the creation of a new library in Socorro to provide over 55,000 area
19 residents with free access to reading materials; and

20 WHEREAS, The founder and director of the Cotton Valley
21 Scholars education program, Ms. Pérez is also the founder and board
22 president of the Rural Schools Scholarship Foundation and a
23 creative director for Celebrate Freedom Week; moreover, she is
24 active on the state level as secretary of public affairs for the

1 Texas Alliance of Black School Educators; in her work as a member of
2 the State Board of Education for District 1, she represents Texans
3 in 40 counties across West and Southwest Texas and holds a place on
4 the board's committee on instruction; and

5 WHEREAS, With her wealth of leadership experience and
6 tireless commitment to Texas schoolchildren, Georgina Pérez is well
7 suited to helping shape the future of public schools in our state,
8 and her fellow Texans are fortunate to benefit from her service in
9 this important role; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
11 Legislature hereby congratulate Georgina Cecilia Pérez on her
12 election to the Texas State Board of Education and extend to her
13 sincere best wishes for a productive and rewarding tenure; and, be
14 it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
16 prepared for Ms. Pérez as an expression of high regard by the Texas
17 House of Representatives.