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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Jackelyn Rosalee Barrera of Roma received a Best 2 Mariachi Vocalist in the U.S. award at the 20th annual Mariachi 3 Vargas Extravaganza National Vocal Competition held in San Antonio 4 in 2014; and

5 WHEREAS, Nearly 1,000 young mariachi musicians participated 6 in the contest, considered the world's largest and most prestigious 7 such event, and Jackie Barrera took home top honors in the high 8 school vocalist category; in March 2016, she traveled with fellow 9 competition winners to Michigan to take part in a three-day concert 10 residency, performing on a bill with the renowned Mariachi Vargas 11 de Tecalitlán; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Barrera is a student at Roma High School, where she has distinguished herself as a violinist in the award-winning Mariachi Nuevo Santander; she has earned Best Performer recognition at the University Interscholastic League State Mariachi Festival, and in 2014, she appeared as a vocal finalist on Telemundo's *La Voz Kids*; and

18 WHEREAS, Jackie Barrera has demonstrated a steadfast 19 commitment to excellence in developing her musical talent, and her 20 hard work and dedication are paving the way for a future bright with 21 promise; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Jackelyn Rosalee Barrera on winning a Best Mariachi Vocalist in the U.S. award at the 2014

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1 Mariachi Vargas Extravaganza National Vocal Competition and extend
2 to her sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further
3 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
4 prepared for Ms. Barrera as an expression of high regard by the
5 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2653 was adopted by the House on May 28, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House