

By: Guillen

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R E S O L U T I O N

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

12 WHEREAS, Ms. Barrera is a student at Roma High School, where
13 she has distinguished herself as a violinist in the award-winning
14 Mariachi Nuevo Santander; she has earned Best Performer recognition
15 at the University Interscholastic League State Mariachi Festival,
16 and in 2014, she appeared as a vocal finalist on Telemundo's *La Voz*
17 *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

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
23 Legislature hereby congratulate Jackelyn Rosalee Barrera on
24 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.