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R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, The work of watercolor artist Gale Cochran-Smith of Montague is on display at the Galleria at The Forum in Wichita Falls from March 1 through May 11, 2019, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Cochran-Smith's current show features 20 landscape, portrait, and still life paintings, including 19 watercolors and an acrylic piece; it represents the first solo exhibition of her work; and

WHEREAS, A native of Idaho who grew up around the natural beauty of the Rocky Mountains and the Pacific Northwest, Ms. Cochran-Smith is largely self-taught, with two years of formal training in commercial art; she continued to paint while employed in the financial services industry for 30 years, and in 2009, she founded her own graphic design business, Shadow Ridge Graphics; after nearly three decades in Grapevine, she moved to Montague County in 2006, and she currently serves as president of the Chisholm Trail Art Association; and

WHEREAS, Gale Cochran-Smith has demonstrated great talent and passion for her craft over the course of her career as an artist, and it is a privilege to join in congratulating her on her first solo show; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby honor Gale Cochran-Smith of Montague on her exhibition at the Galleria at The Forum in Wichita Falls and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Ms. Cochran-Smith as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.