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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Marjorie Ferrone, cofounder and chief operations
officer of Drone Parks Worldwide in Houston, was named the 2018
Woman to Watch in Entertainment & Education by WomenAndDrones.com;
and

5 WHEREAS, Each year, the site bestows Women to Watch 6 designations on only 10 women around the world who have made 7 innovative strides in the field of unmanned aircraft systems; 8 Ms. Ferrone is the first Houstonian and second Texan to garner this 9 notable honor; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ferrone served as a midshipman at the U.S. Naval 10 Academy and holds a degree from the University of Pennsylvania; in 11 12 2016, she and Nick Madincea established Drone Parks Worldwide, an indoor drone center and entertainment company that focuses on 13 14 increasing the accessibility of drone technology; the enterprise works in close partnership with the Lone Star Flight Museum to 15 create an educational, experimental, and hands-on environment in 16 17 which members of the general public can learn to fly first-person-view drone aircraft; in addition, Ms. Ferrone and 18 Mr. Madincea have led an Industry-Academia workshop at 19 the Massachusetts Institute of Technology on micro drone racing and 20 21 course design and have presented a TEDx Talk at Texas A&M 22 University; and

23 WHEREAS, Through the skill and determination she brings to 24 all her efforts, Marjorie Ferrone has earned the esteem of her peers

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H.R. No. 1581 1 and made contributions to the UAS industry that will resonate far 2 into the future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Marjorie Ferrone on being named the Woman to Watch in Entertainment & Education by WomenAndDrones.com and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

8 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 9 prepared for Ms. Ferrone as an expression of high regard by the 10 Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1581 was adopted by the House on May 21, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House