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H.R. No. 1581

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Marjorie Ferrone, cofounder and chief operations
2 officer of Drone Parks Worldwide in Houston, was named the 2018
3 Woman to Watch in Entertainment & Education by WomenAndDrones.com;
4 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

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

1 and made contributions to the UAS industry that will resonate far
2 into the future; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
4 Legislature hereby congratulate Marjorie Ferrone on being named the
5 2018 Woman to Watch in Entertainment & Education by
6 WomenAndDrones.com and extend to her sincere best wishes for
7 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.