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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Ekta Escovar received the 2018 Benjamin
2 Berkeley Citizen of the Year Award from the Alpine Chamber of
3 Commerce; and

4 WHEREAS, Each year, the chamber presents this accolade to an
5 individual who has made outstanding contributions to the community;
6 it was named in tribute to the city's first mayor, a physician who
7 also helped organize the area's first bank and the Alpine
8 Commercial Club, the chamber's forerunner; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Escovar is currently Alpine's only
10 pediatrician, and she serves as vice chief of the medical staff at
11 Big Bend Regional Medical Center; in her work, she has treated many
12 children injured on playground equipment at Kokernot Park, and she
13 brought her concerns about safety before the city council; and

14 WHEREAS, Learning that the city budget lacked funds to make
15 repairs to the equipment, Dr. Escovar established a nonprofit, Big
16 Bend Parks and Recreation for Kids; she secured grants that enabled
17 the organization to make significant improvements to city parks,
18 including Baines Park as well as Kokernot Park; and

19 WHEREAS, Ekta Escovar has made a positive impact in the
20 community through her civic engagement and deep commitment to the
21 well-being of area children, and she is richly deserving of this
22 prestigious honor; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
24 Legislature hereby congratulate Dr. Ekta Escovar on her receipt of

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1 the 2018 Benjamin Berkeley Citizen of the Year Award from the Alpine
2 Chamber of Commerce and extend to her sincere best wishes for the
3 future; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
5 prepared for Dr. Escovar as an expression of high regard by the
6 Texas House of Representatives.