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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Bianca Porras of the Valentine Independent School  
2 District was named the 2018 Texas History Day Teacher of the Year  
3 for the Senior (High School) Division by the Texas State Historical  
4 Association, and she has received the organization's DeBoe Award as  
5 well; and

6           WHEREAS, Each year, TSHA sponsors Texas History Day, an  
7 affiliate of National History Day, to engage students in scholarly  
8 exploration of the past; nearly 70,000 students across the state  
9 choose topics related to the annual theme and conduct extensive  
10 primary and secondary research at libraries, archives, museums,  
11 historic sites, and other locations; they may create and present  
12 original research papers, exhibits, performances, websites, or  
13 documentaries, and the top projects may advance to regional, state,  
14 or national competitions; and

15           WHEREAS, Bianca Porras was honored for her outstanding  
16 efforts in supporting Texas History Day for more than a decade; she  
17 promotes the study of history at all levels, and although her school  
18 district is very small, she has made the best possible use of  
19 available resources to allow her students to complete high-quality  
20 projects; and

21           WHEREAS, A graduate of Valentine ISD, Ms. Porras  
22 participated in Texas History Day when she was a student, and she  
23 has worked tirelessly to share her enthusiasm and make the event  
24 even more meaningful for the youth of her district; TSHA recognized

1 her enduring dedication to the program by also according her its  
2 prestigious DeBoe Award; and

3 WHEREAS, While inspiring youngsters to develop a greater  
4 interest in the people and events that have shaped our world, Bianca  
5 Porras has also taught her students valuable research and  
6 analytical skills that will serve them well in any subject, and this  
7 statewide recognition of her contributions is a source of  
8 tremendous pride to Valentine ISD; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
10 Legislature hereby congratulate Bianca Porras on her selection as a  
11 2018 Texas History Day Teacher of the Year by the Texas State  
12 Historical Association and on her receipt of the TSHA DeBoe Award  
13 and that she be extended sincere best wishes for continued success;  
14 and, be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
16 prepared for Ms. Porras as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
17 House of Representatives.