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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Nicolás Miguel Ramón Gallego, the only son of Pete 2 P. Gallego, a former state representative and U.S. congressman, and 3 María Elena Ramón, the general counsel for the State Office of Court 4 Administration, is graduating from eighth grade on May 23, 2019; 5 and

6 WHEREAS, Born on October 7, 2004, Nicolás Miguel Ramón 7 Gallego regularly attended sessions of the Texas Legislature as a 8 young child; he played under his father's desk, Desk 82, wandered 9 around the house floor while meeting and chatting with individual 10 house members, explored the nooks and crannies of the house 11 chamber, and even participated inadvertently in debates on the 12 house floor; and

WHEREAS, There remain 50 current members of the Texas House of Representatives who remember the era when Nicolás was present on the house floor during each day of session; many of these members interacted with him frequently, including Representatives Rafael Anchia, Garnet F. Coleman, Jessica Farrar, Trey Martinez Fischer, Rafael Geren, Ana Hernandez, Armando "Mando" Martinez, and Senfronia Thompson; and

WHEREAS, Nicolás also developed many close relationships 20 21 with other now former members of the Texas House of Representatives, including Representatives Patricia Harless, Fred 22 23 Hill, Scott Hochberg, Terri Hodge, Edmund Kuempel, James E. "Pete" Laney, Tommy Merritt, Elliott Naishtat, Paula Pierson, and Tara 24

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2 WHEREAS, With his outgoing personality, easy smile, 3 inquisitive nature, and unpredictable antics, Nicolás regularly 4 reminded house members of the important things in life while 5 providing entertainment and promoting a more congenial and friendly 6 environment; he is believed to be the most photographed child in the 7 history of the Texas House of Representatives; and

8 WHEREAS, In the years since his father left the house, Nicolás has distinguished himself by excelling in academics, 9 10 athletics, and extracurricular activities; his many include making the principal's accomplishments list 11 every 12 semester, earning membership in the National Junior Honor Society, winning his school's chess championship, starting on the school's 13 14 basketball team, and serving as vice president of the student 15 council; and

16 WHEREAS, Exciting challenges and opportunities await this 17 outstanding young man, and it is a pleasure to join his family and 18 friends in recognizing him as he celebrates this important 19 milestone in his life; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas 21 Legislature hereby congratulate Nicolás Miguel Ramón Gallego on the 22 occasion of his graduation from eighth grade and extend to him 23 sincere best wishes for continued success in all his future 24 endeavors; and, be it further

25 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 26 prepared for Nicolás as an expression of high regard by the Texas 27 House of Representatives.

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