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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Maelyn Jarmon, a New York City resident who hails
2 from Frisco, was crowned the winner of the 16th season of the
3 singing competition *The Voice* on May 21, 2019; and

4 WHEREAS, The 26-year-old singer captured the hearts of the
5 judges and the viewing public with her powerhouse vocals, which
6 shined in her renditions of such hits as "The Scientist" and "Mad
7 World"; her audition, which aired in March, went on to be one of the
8 program's most-watched videos, with close to five million views;
9 she continued honing her craft over the course of the competition
10 while working with her coach, R&B superstar John Legend, and
11 prevailed against runner-up Gyth Rigdon in the season finale, when
12 she brought the house down by singing a live duet with musician
13 Sarah McLachlan; and

14 WHEREAS, Ms. Jarmon has faced adversity on her journey to
15 fame; during her childhood, a treatment for recurring ear
16 infections left her deaf in one ear and with impaired hearing in the
17 other; she refused to let this setback prevent her from pursuing her
18 dreams, and she immersed herself in singing and musical theater as a
19 teenager; at age 17, she moved to New York City to try her skills on
20 Broadway, and after several years on that scene, she decided to
21 focus on creating original music; now with her trophy from *The Voice*
22 in hand, she looks forward to releasing her first EP and booking
23 local performances; and

24 WHEREAS, Maelyn Jarmon's exceptional showing on *The Voice* has

1 distinguished her as a star on the rise, and her fans in the Lone
2 Star State and across the country are eager to see what the future
3 holds for this extraordinarily talented young woman; now,
4 therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
6 Legislature hereby congratulate Maelyn Jarmon for her victory on
7 Season 16 of *The Voice* and extend to her sincere best wishes for
8 continued success; and, be it further

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