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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Monica Reyes of The University of Texas Rio Grande

2 Valley has received a 2020 Regents' Outstanding Teaching Award from

3 The University of Texas System Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, The Outstanding Teaching Award is one of the most

5 prestigious honors for teaching excellence in the nation, and this

6 year, 27 faculty members from the UT System's 14 academic and health

7 institutions are being recognized as exceptional educators;

8 selected through a nominating process that relies on student and

9 peer faculty evaluations, each honoree receives a certificate, a

10 medallion, and \$25,000; Dr. Reyes is one of two UTRGV faculty

11 members to receive a 2020 award; and

WHEREAS, A native of the Rio Grande Valley, Monica Reyes

earned an associate degree in psychology, a bachelor's degree in

14 English, and a master's degree in English from The University of

15 Texas at Brownsville, and she completed her Ph.D. in English at Old

16 Dominion University in August 2020; she began her career in

17 education in 2004 as a teacher for the Brownsville Independent

18 School District, and she went on to join the faculty of the

19 Department of English at Texas Southmost College; since 2015, she

20 has served as a lecturer in the UTRGV Department of Writing and

21 Language Studies; and

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WHEREAS, With her receipt of a Regents' Outstanding Teaching

23 Award, Monica Reyes joins an elite group of educators who have

24 excelled at helping students broaden their intellectual horizons

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- 1 and prepare themselves for future success, and her efforts have
- 2 contributed greatly to the academic mission of the UT System; now,
- 3 therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
- 5 Legislature hereby congratulate Monica Reyes on her receipt of a
- 6 2020 Regents' Outstanding Teaching Award from The University of
- 7 Texas System Board of Regents and extend to her sincere best wishes
- 8 for continued success with her important work; and, be it further
- 9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 10 prepared for Dr. Reyes as an expression of high regard by the Texas
- 11 House of Representatives.