By: González of El Paso

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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, West Texas pecan farmer Shannon Ivey has long 2 devoted his talents and resources to furthering the state's 3 agricultural industry; and

WHEREAS, A third-generation pecan grower, Shannon Ivey and his family operate Rio Bravo Farms in the El Paso County community of Tornillo; he acquired a vast knowledge of pecan management at an early age, joining his six younger siblings in working the land and learning the techniques of converting cotton fields to orchards; and

WHEREAS, Widely respected at the local and national levels, 10 Mr. Ivey is president of the Texas Pecan Growers Association, 11 12 secretary of the West Texas Pecan Association, and a board member with the American Pecan Council and the Western Pecan Growers 13 14 Association; moreover, he is former president of the El Paso Valley Cotton Association; through the years, he has also assisted state 15 16 lawmakers and the Texas Department of Agriculture in developing practices that benefit all pecan growers in the Lone Star State; and 17

18 WHEREAS, Agriculture is fundamental to Texas' economic 19 success, and Shannon Ivey may reflect with pride on his many 20 contributions to pecan production and to his fellow farmers; now, 21 therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby commend Shannon Ivey for his years of service in the pecan industry and extend to him sincere best wishes for the

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1 future; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 3 prepared for Mr. Ivey as an expression of high regard by the Texas 4 House of Representatives.