

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Second Ward in Houston's Historic East End is
2 home to a new mural celebrating the achievements of Latina women in
3 the community; and

4 WHEREAS, The mural was conceptualized by Richard Rodriguez,
5 who sought to capture the history of a neighborhood that has
6 undergone much change in recent years; with funding provided by
7 Precinct2gether, Commissioner Adrian Garcia, and in-kind donations
8 from the East End District, the Latina Icons Mural was painted by
9 Guatemalan-born artist Gelson Danilo Lemus on a 40-foot-by-80-foot
10 wall at Navarro Middle School in the heart of the Second Ward; and

11 WHEREAS, Following a survey of local residents, five women
12 were selected to represent the history of Latina leadership and
13 empowerment in the area; the women depicted in the mural are Nelly
14 Moyano Fraga, Graciela Saenz, Norma Zenteno, Angela Morales, and
15 Yolanda Black Navarro, and their portraits surround the image of a
16 little girl who is reading a book on the Latina heroines of her
17 community; the mural also features a QR code that, when activated on
18 a mobile device, takes the user to a website that details the
19 stories and accomplishments of these five women; and

20 WHEREAS, The Latina Icons Mural is a vibrant work of art and
21 an inspiring addition to the Second Ward neighborhood, and all
22 those who were involved in its creation may take great pride in
23 their efforts to showcase the rich history of the Second Ward; now,
24 therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
2 Legislature hereby commemorate the completion of the Latina Icons
3 Mural in Houston and commend everyone who was involved in this
4 important project.

Morales of Harris

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 969 was adopted by the House on May 8, 2021, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House