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RESOLUTION

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

WHEREAS, The mural was conceptualized by Richard Rodriguez, who sought to capture the history of a neighborhood that has undergone much change in recent years; with funding provided by Precinct2gether, Commissioner Adrian Garcia, and in-kind donations from the East End District, the Latina Icons Mural was painted by Guatemalan-born artist Gelson Danilo Lemus on a 40-feet-by-80-feet 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 empowerment in the area; the women depicted in the mural are Nelly 13 14 Moyano Fraga, Graciela Saenz, Norma Zenteno, Angela Morales, and Yolanda Black Navarro, and their portraits surround the image of a 15 16 little girl who is reading a book on the Latina heroines of her community; the mural also features a QR code that, when activated on 17 a mobile device, takes the user to a website that details the 18 stories and accomplishments of these five women; and 19

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