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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Each holiday season, the Lone Star Celebration 2 Christmas Tree welcomes visitors to the House chamber in the State 3 Capitol, and in 2024, Gabriela Garza of Edinburg North High School 4 was selected to be the designer of the ornament for House 5 District 35; and

6 WHEREAS, The daughter of Julio and Maria Garza, Gaby Garza is a junior at Edinburg North High and has distinguished herself 7 through her exceptional talent in art; she has taken the AP Drawing 8 course and received a score of 5 for her portfolio in the 2D Design 9 course, one of the highest rankings in the nation, and during her 10 sophomore year, she advanced to the statewide Visual Arts 11 12 Scholastic Event and won the prestigious Gold Seal Medallion; moreover, she has exhibited her work to tremendous success at the 13 14 Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show, where she was crowned grand champion, and at the Rio Grande Valley Birding Festival, where she 15 was named overall champion in the art contest; and 16

WHEREAS, Recognized as one of the most promising young artists of the Rio Grande Valley, Ms. Garza achieved a remarkable feat by being selected as a winner of the Congressional Art Competition for two years in a row; as the honoree for Texas' 15th Congressional District, she was chosen to have two of her pieces displayed at the U.S. Capitol as part of an exhibit that is viewed by millions of visitors each year; and

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WHEREAS, In crafting the ornament for House District 35, Gaby

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Garza is helping to further one of the State Capitol's most iconic holiday traditions, and it is a pleasure to join her family, her school, and her community in honoring this fine young Texan for her achievements; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas 6 Legislature hereby commend Gabriela Garza for designing the House 7 District 35 ornament for the Lone Star Celebration Christmas Tree 8 and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued success in all 9 her endeavors; and, be it further

10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 11 prepared for Ms. Garza as an expression of high regard by the Texas 12 House of Representatives.

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