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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, In recognition of her notable contributions to area athletics, Mission Veterans Memorial High School head volleyball coach Diana Lerma is being inducted into the Rio Grande Valley Sports Hall of Fame on June 28, 2025; and

5 WHEREAS, Since 1988, the RGV Sports Hall of Fame has paid 6 tribute to individuals who have made a positive impact in the 7 community through sports-related endeavors; the hall was created to 8 honor former student-athletes, amateur athletes, coaches, 9 administrators, officials, trainers, and media figures who have 10 distinguished themselves with their accomplishments; and

11 WHEREAS, A native of Mission, Diana Lerma initially gained 12 acclaim as a standout volleyball player at Mission High School; 13 following her graduation in 1981, she went on to compete in the 14 sport at Laredo Junior College and Southwest Texas State 15 University, where she was named to the Southland All-Conference 16 Team; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lerma began her volleyball coaching career at 17 La Joya High School; in 2002, she was hired to launch the volleyball 18 program at Veterans Memorial High, and she immediately set about 19 20 building a winning culture; over the years, she has enjoyed 21 remarkable success at the helm of the team, racking up over 800 22 career wins while directing the Lady Patriots to nearly 50 total district, bi-district, and area championships and to four 23 appearances in the Sweet 16; in addition, a number of her 24

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1 student-athletes have received college scholarships; and

2 WHEREAS, Through her dedicated efforts, Diana Lerma has 3 furthered the proud tradition of athletic achievement in the Rio 4 Grande Valley, and she is indeed deserving of this prestigious 5 honor; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas 7 Legislature hereby congratulate Diana Lerma on her induction into 8 the Rio Grande Valley Sports Hall of Fame and extend to her sincere 9 best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 619 was adopted by the House on March 31, 2025, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House