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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In recognition of her notable contributions to area  
2 athletics, Mission Veterans Memorial High School head volleyball  
3 coach Diana Lerma is being inducted into the Rio Grande Valley  
4 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

17 WHEREAS, Ms. Lerma began her volleyball coaching career at  
18 La Joya High School; in 2002, she was hired to launch the volleyball  
19 program at Veterans Memorial High, and she immediately set about  
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  
23 district, bi-district, and area championships and to four  
24 appearances in the Sweet 16; in addition, a number of her

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.