

## *A Resolution Honoring Linda Y. Rivas*

*Whereas Linda Y. Rivas was licensed to practice law in Texas in 2013 after graduating from Loyola University New Orleans College of Law,*

*Whereas during law school, Ms. Rivas clerked with the Department of Justice, Executive Office of Immigration Review, under Judge Wayne Stogner,*

*Whereas in 2014 Ms. Rivas joined the staff of Las Americas Immigrant Advocacy Center, an El Paso-based nonprofit organization dedicated to the legal needs of low-income immigrants, serving as managing attorney,*

*Whereas Ms. Rivas worked as executive director of the advocacy center for the past six years, serving as a model of steady leadership at one of the few nonprofit legal service providers assisting low-income immigrants in the El Paso area,*

*Whereas through her work with Las Americas, Ms. Rivas promoted equal access to justice by providing legal services to asylum seekers and immigrants, including immigrant families separated at the U.S.-Mexico border,*

*Whereas Ms. Rivas recently announced she was leaving Las Americas to pursue other opportunities and to spend more time with her family,*

*Be It Therefore Resolved that the State Bar of Texas honors Linda Y. Rivas with this resolution for her outstanding service at Las Americas, her untiring efforts to assure equal access to justice for low-income immigrants, and her steadfast commitment to the legal profession as a whole.*

*Resolution Adopted this 29th day of April 2022 by the State Bar of Texas Board of Directors.*

*Sylvia Borunda Firth, President  
State Bar of Texas*

*Laura Gibson, President-Elect  
State Bar of Texas*

*Santos Vargas, Chair of the Board  
State Bar of Texas*

**witnessed by**

*Trey Apffel, Executive Director  
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