

1 trict and works to create community partnerships to further STEM education
2 not only for her students but also for others; and

3 WHEREAS, Ms. Galaviz was awarded a \$10,000 grant from NASA and Boise
4 State University to create STEM backpacks for the students at Garfield Ele-
5 mentary School; and

6 WHEREAS, in 2016, Ms. Galaviz was honored by the Idaho STEM Action Cen-
7 ter with the Industry's Excellent Educators Dedicated to STEM, or INDEEDS,
8 Award; and

9 WHEREAS, in 2016, Ms. Galaviz received the Marsha Nakamura Teaching Ex-
10 cellence Award by the Idaho Education Association for her professional prac-
11 tice, advocacy, community engagement, leadership in professional develop-
12 ment and attention to diversity; and

13 WHEREAS, on February 10, 2017, Ms. Galaviz received the NEA Foundation
14 Award for Teaching Excellence, the top award out of forty national final-
15 ists, for attaining the highest teaching standards, her exemplary instruc-
16 tion, her advocacy for her profession and her staunch support for public edu-
17 cation.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the First Regular Ses-
19 sion of the Sixty-fourth Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and
20 the Senate concurring therein, that we recognize and honor Sonia Galaviz as
21 an exemplary teacher and Idaho citizen for her unparalleled devotion to her
22 students and their families, her success with diverse classrooms and commu-
23 nity groups, her passion for STEM education, and her consummate service to
24 the Idaho education profession.