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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and
- 2 meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the family and friends
- 3 of Jorge Saenz of Elsa, who passed away on February 15, 2011, at the
- 4 age of 85; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Born on March 10, 1925, near Rio Grande City, Jorge
- 6 Saenz was the third of seven sons born to Gregorio and Trinidad
- 7 Rodriguez Saenz; he left high school as a sophomore to help his
- 8 parents and siblings but later earned his GED; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Mr. Saenz was employed for many years in the
- 10 plastics industry, working with Texas Plastics and then with
- 11 Cadillac Products in Detroit before returning to the Lone Star
- 12 State to serve as a community liaison for the Edcouch-Elsa
- 13 Independent School District; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Deeply committed to education, Mr. Saenz attended
- 15 Pan American University while continuing to make a living and take
- 16 care of his family; in later years, he enthusiastically supported
- 17 the efforts of his wife and seven children to obtain their college
- 18 education at the school, now known as The University of Texas-Pan
- 19 American; those efforts were honored by the UTPA Alumni Association
- 20 when it named the Jorge Saenz family as the Distinguished Family of
- 21 the Year in 1991; and
- 22 WHEREAS, Mr. Saenz gave back to his fellow residents as a
- 23 member of the Hidalgo County Health Clinic board and the Elsa
- 24 Volunteer Fire Department; in addition, he benefited many area

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- 1 youth, offering his wise counsel, sharing his time with the Boy
- 2 Scouts and T-ball, and collecting donations to provide lunches to
- 3 children in need; and
- WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Saenz enjoyed the love and
- 5 support of his wife, Laurentina, and their seven children, Rick,
- 6 Rolando, Bernard, Jonas, Marco, Sonia, and Dina; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Jorge Saenz possessed a generosity of spirit that
- 8 expressed itself in myriad ways, and countless lives were enriched
- 9 by his warmth and kindness; now, therefore, be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 11 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Jorge Saenz and
- 12 extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
- 13 Laurentina Saenz; to his sons, Jorge Enrique Saenz and his wife,
- 14 Chriselda, Rolando Saenz and his wife, Gloria, Bernard Saenz and
- 15 his wife, San Juanita, Jonas Abel Saenz and his wife, Judy, and
- 16 Marco Antonio Saenz and his wife, Celia; to his daughters, Sonia del
- 17 Angel and her husband, Jose Antonio, and Dina Vela and her husband,
- 18 Luis; to his brothers, Erasmo Saenz and his wife, Cande, and Noe
- 19 Saenz and his wife, Luisa; to his 15 grandchildren; and to his other
- 20 relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 22 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 23 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Jorge
- 24 Saenz.