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H.R. No. 39

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Victor Alvarez is retiring as pastor of Iglesia  
2 Bautista Fundamental in Brownsville on October 10, 2021, drawing to  
3 a close more than four decades of service to the congregation; and

4           WHEREAS, Pastor Alvarez moved to Brownsville with his family  
5 when he was 10 days old, and he found his faith at the age of 22 in  
6 Corpus Christi; he received his education at Salt Lake Bible  
7 College, where he earned three degrees, including a doctorate in  
8 theology; he began his career in Corpus Christi, where he was  
9 assistant pastor at Iglesia Bautista El Cordero de Dios for five  
10 years; and

11           WHEREAS, In 1980, Pastor Alvarez returned to Brownsville and  
12 established Iglesia Bautista Fundamental in the Cameron Park  
13 colonia; the congregation began meeting under a tree, and over  
14 time, it moved into a 26,000-square-foot facility on two acres of  
15 land; Pastor Alvarez also started the Christian Fundamental Academy  
16 to educate children from kindergarten through the 12th grade, and  
17 he raised money for scholarships, empowering many students to go on  
18 to college and to productive professional careers; in addition, he  
19 created a bus ministry, bringing more than 200 youth to Sunday  
20 school every week; and

21           WHEREAS, Pastor Alvarez has further contributed to the  
22 community through his work with the area's planning and zoning  
23 committee, the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee, the  
24 Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority, United for the Progress

1 of Cameron Park, and as a board member of the Colonia Self-Help  
2 Program, as well as through his participation in voter registration  
3 drives; and

4 WHEREAS, Victor Alvarez has distinguished himself as an  
5 esteemed spiritual leader, a champion for Cameron Park, and a  
6 powerful force for change in the community, and he may indeed take  
7 pride in his outstanding record of service as he embarks on the next  
8 exciting chapter of his life; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
10 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby congratulate Pastor Victor  
11 Alvarez on his retirement from Iglesia Bautista Fundamental and  
12 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be  
13 it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
15 prepared for Pastor Alvarez as an expression of high regard by the  
16 Texas House of Representatives.