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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The history of the Valle family of Garland is being
2 celebrated in 2021 in a musical drama titled *The Cactus Chronicles*;
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4 WHEREAS, On May 15, 2021, the 90th birthday of Pascual Valle,
5 Friends of Garland's Historic Magic 11th Street presented the debut
6 of the musical at the Plaza Theatre; the story is told through the
7 eyes of Mr. Valle and his wife, Sylvia, longtime activists in the
8 community; and

9 WHEREAS, Recognized as the first Latino family in Garland,
10 the Valles have lived in the city since the late 1920s, when Pascual
11 Valle's parents, Manuel and Maria Valle, settled there; they raised
12 eight children, all Garland High School graduates, and their six
13 sons served in the military during World War II, while a daughter
14 worked in a local defense plant; the Garland Independent School
15 District named its student services center in honor of Manuel and
16 Maria Valle; and

17 WHEREAS, Pascual Valle was the first all-state football
18 player from Garland, and he excelled in track as well; he and his
19 son, Tony, became the first father-and-son duo inducted into the
20 Garland Sports Hall of Fame; Sylvia Valle was employed in education
21 in the community for 45 years until her retirement; the musical
22 chronicles the family's perseverance despite barriers to
23 achievement; and

24 WHEREAS, Over the course of nearly a century, the members of

1 the Valle family have inspired innumerable residents of North Texas
2 through their exemplary service to their community and their
3 country, and the musical that portrays their contributions is a
4 fitting tribute indeed; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
6 Legislature hereby honor the Valle family of Garland and
7 commemorate the debut of the musical celebrating the family's
8 history; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for the Valle family as an expression of high regard by the
11 Texas House of Representatives.