

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 6

In Memory
of
Gregorio M. Gutierrez

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Gregorio M. Gutierrez, who died December 13, 2020, at the age of 66; and

WHEREAS, Gregorio Gutierrez was an exemplary citizen and esteemed leader in journalism whose commitment to creating a bridge between the Hispanic and Anglo communities had a significant influence on shaping local communities and an impact on the lives of countless individuals; and

WHEREAS, Born on November 17, 1954, in San Luis Potosi, Mexico, Gregorio immigrated to the United States in 1984 and moved to San Angelo in 1986; he served as a disc jockey at a local Spanish-language radio station, and he went on to form a media production company that led to the creation of a successful newspaper business; and

WHEREAS, In 1990, he married Araceli Lara, who shared his passion for establishing a Spanish-language newspaper for San Angelo and the surrounding communities; he and his beloved wife were blessed with six children, 17 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren, all of whom were a source of much pride and joy for him; and

WHEREAS, He became a United States citizen in 2000, and he and Araceli soon began publishing *Conexión Hispana*, a weekly newspaper that made a profound difference in the ways in which the region addressed issues of importance to the Hispanic

community; its success led them to produce additional publications, including *Conexión San Angelo*, *Conexión Del Rio*, *Conexión a la Salud*, *Conexión Cristiana*, and *Art and Culture Connection*; and

WHEREAS, A man of faith, integrity, and vision, he gave unselfishly to others, and his quiet determination and commitment to public service will not be forgotten by those who were privileged to share in his life; and

WHEREAS, He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and countless friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Gregorio M. Gutierrez; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Gregorio Gutierrez.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 26, 2021, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate