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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Mission lost an iconic civic leader 2 with the passing of former mayor Norberto Salinas on May 25, 2023, 3 at the age of 77; and

WHEREAS, Deeply committed to his community, "Beto" Salinas 4 began his career in public service in 1980 as the Hidalgo County 5 commissioner for Precinct 3, and he served in that capacity for 12 6 7 years; in 1998, he won his first mayoral race, and he went on to lead Mission for the next two decades; his achievements included 8 spearheading the effort to build the Anzalduas International 9 Bridge, and he was the longtime vice chair of the bridge board; 10 11 acting strategically, he benefited the community through long-term 12 planning, and he never hesitated to go to bat for his constituents; 13 and

14 WHEREAS, Mayor Salinas was appointed to statewide organizations by four different governors and served on the 15 16 Indigent Health Care Advisory Task Force, the Texas Funeral Service Commission, and the board of the Texas Department of Housing and 17 18 Community Affairs; in addition, he served as chair of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Board of Directors and of the 19 20 Texas Department of Transportation Metropolitan Planning 21 Organization Policy Committee, and he served numerous other organizations in leadership roles, among them the Hidalgo chapter 22 23 of the American Red Cross, the Mission Chamber of Commerce, and the Boy Scouts of America; and 24

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1 WHEREAS, The recipient of myriad accolades, Mayor Salinas was 2 named the 1987 Man of the Year for the City of Mission and the 2008 3 Citizen of the Year by the Rotary Club of Mission; he was also 4 selected as Mr. Mission and inducted into the Rio Grande Valley 5 Walk of Fame; in private life, he was a rancher and businessman, 6 breeding Brahman cattle and serving as president of S&F Developers 7 and Builders; and

8 WHEREAS, Beto Salinas left a lasting and positive imprint on 9 Mission through his unwavering dedication to his community, and 10 although he will be deeply missed, his contributions will continue 11 to resonate in the years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas 12 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Norberto Salinas and 13 14 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his 15 children, Ricardo Lee Salinas, Norberto Salinas Jr., Maribel Salinas, and Christina 16 Salinas, Marina Salinas; to his 17 grandchildren, Denise Delgado, Jacob Lee Salinas, Christian Lee Salinas, Adan Salinas, Victoria Salinas, Miguel Adan Delgado, 18 Natalie Vela, Yolanda Salinas, Norberto Salinas III, and Anabel 19 Salinas Garcia; to his great-grandchildren, Diego Escamilla, 20 Isabela Escamilla, Catalina Ines Salinas, Joel Salinas, Aurelio 21 Legacy Goburn, Isac Delgado, Abram Delgado, Clarisa Silva, and 22 23 Karina Silva; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be 24 it further

25 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 26 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 27 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Beto

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2478 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 29, 2023.

Chief Clerk of the House