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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Santos Mijares Jr. of Eagle Pass, an esteemed
2 community leader and a friend to many, passed away on September 4,
3 2022, at the age of 63; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Santos and Florinda Mijares, Santos
5 Mijares was born in Eagle Pass on February 8, 1959; at the age
6 of 12, he became a migrant worker, joining his parents in farm
7 fields to help provide for his family and his younger siblings; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Mijares sold insurance for a time before going
9 on to open immigration services and tax preparation businesses; he
10 also became a real estate investor; and

11 WHEREAS, The trajectory of Mr. Mijares' life significantly
12 changed in 1999 with the deepening of his faith; dedicated to giving
13 back to his community, he started a weekly Bible study for local
14 businessmen, provided financial counsel and support to local and
15 out-of-town ministries, and used his construction expertise to help
16 churches with their building projects; moreover, he took trips to
17 Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico, where he shared the Gospel and
18 ministered to people; and

19 WHEREAS, On September 3, 2017, Mr. Mijares was inspired to
20 establish and pastor a local church that he named Nueva Creación
21 Eagle Pass; the church would come to have a strong Christian
22 influence in the city and serve as a welcoming place where families
23 could gather and worship; realizing his dream to expand the church
24 to accommodate a larger congregation, he used his construction

1 knowledge to create plans for a church building with an accessible
2 location; on September 3, 2021, Nueva Creación Eagle Pass hosted
3 the inaugural raising of the Christian flag at Eagle Pass City Hall;
4 in a span of five years, the church ministry hosted a series of
5 local events that brought awareness to such issues as bullying and
6 suicide while inspiring attendees to embark on their own personal
7 journeys of faith; during his time as a Christian pastor,
8 Mr. Mijares also served State Representative Heriberto "Eddie"
9 Morales Jr., whom he helped draft his first prayer for the House
10 floor; and

11 WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Mijares enjoyed the love
12 and support of his wife of four decades, Sylvia, and his three
13 children, Joshua, Krystal, and Nathan; and

14 WHEREAS, Santos Mijares possessed a generosity of spirit that
15 expressed itself in myriad ways, and he leaves behind a legacy of
16 good works that will continue to inspire the residents of Eagle Pass
17 and beyond for years to come; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
19 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Santos Mijares Jr. and
20 extend heartfelt condolences to the members of his family: to his
21 wife, Sylvia Mijares; to his children, Joshua Mijares, Krystal Y.
22 Mijares, and Nathan Mijares; to his parents, Santos and Florinda
23 Mijares; to his nine siblings; and to all others who mourn his
24 passing; and, be 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 Santos

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1 Mijares.