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H.R. No. 171

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Crystal City lost a beloved neighbor,  
2 friend, and educator with the untimely passing of Ruben Alonzo on  
3 July 28, 2003, at the age of 45; and

4 WHEREAS, One of 11 children, Mr. Alonzo shared a special bond  
5 with his siblings, as they played together, supported one another,  
6 and grew to maturity in the warm embrace of a caring family; the  
7 close-knit clan was headed by devoted parents, Maria Rivera Alonzo  
8 and Emeterio M. Alonzo, Jr., who imparted the virtues of hard work,  
9 integrity, and compassion to their children; and

10 WHEREAS, The meaningful traditions and solid lessons learned  
11 from his parents were closely held by Mr. Alonzo; by becoming a  
12 teacher and raising a family of his own, this beloved gentleman was  
13 able to pass those values on to a new generation; and

14 WHEREAS, A longtime resident of his South Texas community and  
15 an active member of the "Sociedad Funeraria Miguel Hidalgo," Mr.  
16 Alonzo was an excellent math teacher who won the admiration and  
17 respect of teachers, students, and parents alike for the  
18 professionalism and dedication he brought to the classroom each  
19 day; and

20 WHEREAS, Imbued with tremendous warmth and kindness, Ruben  
21 Alonzo was a devoted family man, mentor, and friend to those who  
22 were privileged to share his life, and while he will be greatly  
23 missed, his memory will live on in the hearts and minds of the many  
24 people whose lives he touched; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
2   Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of  
3   Ruben Alonzo and extend sincere sympathy to his family: to his  
4   wife, Rosa Torres Alonzo; to his sons, Emeterio Alonzo and Ruben  
5   Alonzo, Jr.; to his daughters, Belynda T. Alonzo and Carolyn Rose T.  
6   Alonzo; to his mother, Maria Rivera Alonzo; to his brothers, Ramon,  
7   Gerardo, Victor, Javier, and our esteemed colleague, State  
8   Representative Roberto Alonzo; to his sisters, Maria Luisa Del  
9   Toro, Monica Alonzo, Diana Alonzo, and Maria Ana Alonzo; and to the  
10  other relatives and many friends of this beloved gentleman; and, be  
11  it further

12           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13  prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
14  Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ruben  
15  Alonzo.