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H.R. No. 341

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The passing of Aaron Longoria of Edinburg on  
2 December 29, 2002, at the age of 65, brought a great loss to the  
3 family and friends of this beloved family man and public servant,  
4 and it is indeed appropriate to remember him at this time; and

5           WHEREAS, Born in La Reforma on December 11, 1937, Mr.  
6 Longoria attended Edinburg High School and Pan American College  
7 before joining the navy; after concluding his naval service he  
8 studied at the American College of Real Estate, laying the  
9 foundation for a lengthy career in the field of community  
10 development; and

11           WHEREAS, Dedicating 35 years of his life as an employee of the  
12 City of Edinburg, he began his career in 1967 as a real estate  
13 officer with the Urban Renewal Agency and, in 1976, he was promoted  
14 to housing assistance coordinator; and

15           WHEREAS, Mr. Longoria was later named housing director and  
16 bureau chief of community development; since 1994, he had served as  
17 the active director of community development, and throughout his  
18 exemplary career he helped thousands of Edinburg families secure  
19 housing; and

20           WHEREAS, A devoted family man, he shared a strong and loving  
21 marriage with his wife of 38 years, Alicia; together they raised  
22 three daughters, and their family has grown to include four  
23 grandchildren; and

24           WHEREAS, Aaron Longoria was a man of compassion and

1 integrity, whose myriad good deeds benefited countless citizens in  
2 the Lone Star State, and although he will be missed by those who  
3 knew him, his spirit will live on through his legacy of success and  
4 achievement; now, therefore, be it

5         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
6 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of  
7 Aaron Longoria and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his  
8 family: to his wife, Alicia Ramirez Longoria; to his daughters and  
9 sons-in-law, Annette and Jaime Saenz, Ophelia and Jaime Solis, and  
10 Eileen and Eric Ritchie; to his grandchildren, Aaron Ray Saenz,  
11 Rylee Diana Ritchie, Jaime Andres Solis, and Taylor Alexandra  
12 Saenz; to his sisters and brothers-in-law, Lidia and John Gordon,  
13 Elma and Camilio Veta, and Rosa Elena and Charles March; and to his  
14 brother and sister-in-law, Elias and Maruca Longoria; and to the  
15 many other relatives and friends of this beloved gentleman; and, be  
16 it further

17         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
18 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
19 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Aaron  
20 Longoria.