

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The untimely death of Dennis Ray Garza of Round Rock  
2 on March 29, 2004, at the age of 42, has brought a profound loss to  
3 the family members and many friends of this distinguished Texan;  
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5           WHEREAS, Born and raised in Corpus Christi, Mr. Garza was a  
6 skilled debater and golfer who competed at the statewide level in  
7 both vocations during his years as a student at King High School; he  
8 went on to graduate from Texas Tech University and The University of  
9 Texas School of Law in Austin, winning the latter's mock trial  
10 competition before earning his law degree in 1986; and

11           WHEREAS, Mr. Garza became one of the Lone Star State's top  
12 litigators and worked as a senior attorney and deputy division  
13 chief for the general litigation division of the attorney general's  
14 office and as a litigator for American Airlines in Dallas over the  
15 course of his career; in each position, Mr. Garza demonstrated the  
16 utmost professionalism and integrity, earning the esteem and  
17 admiration of his colleagues; and

18           WHEREAS, Passionate in the pursuit of equal treatment for  
19 all, he championed the cause of civil rights in local and state  
20 politics, and he served as president of Austin LULAC Council 650 and  
21 the South Austin Mexican American Democrats; in addition, he  
22 graciously gave of his time and talents as an officer of the Capital  
23 Metro Board, the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and the River City  
24 Youth Foundation; and

1           WHEREAS, A valued congregant of Our Lady of Guadalupe  
2 Catholic Church in Austin and highly involved in the ACTS movement,  
3 Mr. Garza was also a devoted family man who treasured his  
4 relationship with his wife, Rita, and their two children, Angelica  
5 and Jonathan; and

6           WHEREAS, Those who were privileged to know Dennis Ray Garza  
7 will long remember him with affection and admiration, and his  
8 legacy will live on in the hearts and minds of the many people whose  
9 lives he touched; now, therefore, be it

10           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas  
11 Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of  
12 Dennis Ray Garza and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his  
13 family: to his wife, Rita Garza; to his children, Angelica and  
14 Jonathan Garza; to his parents, Arnold and Anita Garza; to his  
15 brothers, Arnold David Garza and his wife, Tonie, and Dr. James E.  
16 Garza; to his grandmother, Lillie Delgado; and to the other family  
17 members and friends of this esteemed man; and, be it further

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

Gallego  
Krusee  
Stick

Craddick	Geren	Mercer
Allen	Giddings	Merritt
Alonzo	Goodman	Miller
Bailey	Goolsby	Moreno of Harris
Baxter	Griggs	Moreno of El Paso
Berman	Grusendorf	Morrison
Bohac	Guillen	Mowery
Bonnen	Gutierrez	Naishtat
Branch	Haggerty	Nixon
Brown of Kaufman	Hamilton	Noriega
Brown of Brazos	Hamric	Oliveira
Burnam	Hardcastle	Olivo
Callegari	Harper-Brown	Paxton
Campbell	Hartnett	Pena
Canales	Heflin	Phillips
Capelo	Hegar	Pickett
Casteel	Hilderbran	Pitts
Castro	Hill	Puente
Chavez	Hochberg	Quintanilla
Chisum	Hodge	Raymond
Christian	Homer	Reyna
Coleman	Hope	Riddle
Cook of Navarro	Hopson	Ritter
Cook of Colorado	Howard	Rodriguez
Corte	Hughes	Rose
Crabb	Hunter	Seaman
Crownover	Hupp	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Harris	Isett	Smith of Harris
Davis of Dallas	Jones of Lubbock	Smithee
Dawson	Jones of Bexar	Solis
Delisi	Jones of Dallas	Solomons
Denny	Keel	Stick
Deshotel	Keffer of Dallas	Swinford
Driver	Keffer of Eastland	Talton
Dukes	King	Taylor
Dunnam	Kolkhorst	Telford
Dutton	Krusee	Thompson
Edwards	Kuempel	Truitt
Eiland	Laney	Turner
Eissler	Laubenberg	Uresti
Elkins	Lewis	Van Arsdale
Ellis	Luna	Villarreal
Escobar	Mabry	West
Farabee	Madden	Wilson
Farrar	Marchant	Wise
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Wohlgemuth
Flynn	McCall	Wolens
Gallego	McClendon	Wong
Garza	McReynolds	Woolley
Gattis	Menendez	Zedler

H.R. No. 41

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 41 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 11, 2004.

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Chief Clerk of the House