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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Jose "Joe" Calvillo, Jr., a leading expert in career and technology education, retired from the Weslaco Independent School District (W.I.S.D.) in 2001 after more than 40 years; and WHEREAS, The W.I.S.D. board of trustees has named the new district-wide career and technology education building the Joe Calvillo Jr. Career and Technology Educational Complex, and Mr. Calvillo joined colleagues, friends, and family members on December

14, 2002, for the dedication ceremony; and

WHEREAS, During his impressive tenure with W.I.S.D., Mr. Calvillo held positions at Horton Elementary School and Sam Houston Elementary School, taught world history at Vocational Junior High School, and instructed students in distributive education at Weslaco High School; and

WHEREAS, In the early 1970s, he began 30 years of service as W.I.S.D.'s director of vocational education programs; under his leadership, the school district expanded its career and technology education programs from having approximately 25 teachers to more than 60 instructors and 100 courses; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his work as director of vocational programs with W.I.S.D., Mr. Calvillo served as an adjunct professor for Texas A&M University in Corpus Christi and Texas A&I University in Kingsville; then, as a staff professor at Texas A&M University in Corpus Christi, he taught vocational and career and technology education teachers, supervisors, counselors, and directors for 22

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- 1 years until his retirement in May 2002; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Calvillo is widely recognized as an expert in
- 3 his field, and he has dedicated much time and energy to
- 4 participating in numerous regional, state, and national vocational
- 5 education organizations; he served two terms as president of the
- 6 South Texas Career & Technology Administrators and Supervisors
- 7 Association and was a state board member for the Career and
- 8 Technology Administrators of Texas; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Over the course of his career Mr. Calvillo has
- 10 received recognition from the Texas Distributive Education Clubs of
- 11 America, Education Personnel Development Consortium D, Future
- 12 Farmers of America, the Office Education Association, the Texas
- 13 Association of the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America, and the
- 14 Texas House of Representatives; moreover, he has been listed in
- 15 Who's Who Among School District Officials, Personalities of the
- 16 South, Notable Americans of 1976-1977, and Community Leaders and
- 17 Noteworthy Americans; and
- WHEREAS, Much sought after for his expertise, Mr. Calvillo
- 19 currently serves various school districts as a consultant in career
- 20 and technology education; he also continues to work as a program
- 21 manager for the only career and technology education alternative
- teacher certification program in South Texas; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Calvillo has been a guiding influence in the
- 24 lives of countless students and educators; his dedication to
- 25 excellence in education has earned him the respect and admiration
- of his pupils and colleagues, and it is a pleasure to honor him at
- 27 this time; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Jose "Joe" Calvillo, Jr., on the occasion of the dedication ceremony for the Joe Calvillo Jr. Career and Technology Educational Complex and extend to him sincere best wishes for happiness in the years to come; and, be it further RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Mr. Calvillo as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 665 was adopted by the House on May 2, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House