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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Armando Gabriel Viego and Lilia Rosa Viego have made 2 their first visit to the Lone Star State, and these remarkable 3 individuals have truly earned the right to receive the title of 4 honorary Texan; and

5 WHEREAS, Natives of Cuba, Mr. and Mrs. Viego came to the 6 United States in 1961 and were married on December 30 of that same 7 year; they eventually settled in Wilmington, North Carolina, where 8 they raised 13 children and bravely tackled the challenges of 9 living in a new country; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Viego earned a master's degree and began a 11 lengthy career at General Electric as a chemical nuclear engineer; 12 since learning English after immigrating to the United States, he 13 has traveled to a dozen countries and become fluent in 15 languages; 14 and

WHEREAS, After raising 13 children, Mrs. Viego completed her high school education and earned her college degree, and today she teaches Spanish at the high school level; all 13 children have become contributing members of society and stalwart citizens, a tribute to the example set by Mr. and Mrs. Viego; and

20 WHEREAS, Although they were not born in Texas, Mr. and Mrs. 21 Viego possess many attributes associated with the citizens of the 22 Lone Star State, including perseverance, integrity, and 23 independence, and it is a distinct pleasure to bestow on these 24 individuals the title of honorary Texan; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas 2 Legislature hereby recognize Armando Gabriel Viego and Lilia Rosa 3 Viego as honorary Texans and extend to them best wishes for 4 continued success and happiness in their life together; and, be it 5 further

6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 7 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Viego as an expression of high regard by 8 the Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 979 was adopted by the House on May 1, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House