

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In the year 2003, Corpus Christi resident William D.
2 Bonilla, Sr., marks 50 years of outstanding service in the practice
3 of law; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Calvert, he received a bachelor's degree
5 from Baylor University and a doctorate from The University of Texas
6 School of Law; licensed to practice in federal court for the
7 Southern District of Texas and before the 5th Circuit Court of
8 Appeals, he founded Bonilla Law Firm and today is the senior member
9 of the law offices of William D. Bonilla, P.C.; and

10 WHEREAS, His commitment to his colleagues includes service as
11 a board member and fellow of the College of the State Bar of Texas;
12 he chaired the commission on the selection, compensation, and
13 tenure of Texas judges and served on the committee of 100 to study
14 the selection of the state's judges; and

15 WHEREAS, He has been national president, national legal
16 advisor, and a member of the national board of directors of the
17 League of United Latin-American Citizens (LULAC) and has held
18 various offices statewide and locally; he served a presidential
19 appointment to the National Advisory Council of the Office of
20 Economic Opportunity, was an EEOC consultant, and represented the
21 United States government in South America; and

22 WHEREAS, Sharing his time and resources in behalf of this
23 community, Mr. Bonilla has chaired the Corpus Christi Housing
24 Authority board and has served on the Art Museum of South Texas

1 board; this inspiring gentleman has been a longtime supporter of
2 the SER Jobs for Progress initiative, is a developer of the Bonilla
3 Plaza, a charter member of St. Pius X Catholic Church, and a
4 congregant of Most Precious Blood Catholic Church and St. Jude
5 Shrine; and

6 WHEREAS, William Bonilla is truly an outstanding attorney and
7 community leader who is most deserving of special recognition; now,
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
10 Legislature hereby commend William D. Bonilla, Sr., for his
11 distinguished career in the law and extend to him best wishes for
12 future success and happiness; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for Mr. Bonilla as an expression of high regard by the
15 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 1347

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1347 was adopted by the House on May 24, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House