

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A great city is not judged by its size, power, or
2 wealth, but by the kind of man it chooses as its leader; and

3 WHEREAS, The three-time All-America City of Edinburg has
4 bestowed the honor and responsibility of leadership on Richard
5 Garcia, elected in the spring of 2003 as its new mayor by an
6 informed and active constituency; and

7 WHEREAS, Mayor Garcia brings with him the strength of
8 character forged by a lifetime of achievements and lessons learned,
9 and in his new post he will continue building on Edinburg's
10 reputation as a regional leader in our beloved state; and

11 WHEREAS, This dedicated public servant puts a high priority
12 in the real objective of education, which is to give children
13 resources that will endure as long as life endures; habits that time
14 will ameliorate, not destroy; occupations that will render sickness
15 tolerable, solitude pleasant, age venerable, and life more
16 dignified and useful; and

17 WHEREAS, Mayor Garcia's vision of leadership is based on the
18 belief that the best government is one that teaches us to govern
19 ourselves, and he is and will be a key figure in the economic and
20 educational advances that will propel Edinburg into being one of
21 the preeminent cities in Texas; and

22 WHEREAS, The foundation for a great city will be enhanced
23 during his public service through a great emphasis on public
24 safety, infrastructure, improvements, and government

1 accountability to the people; and

2 WHEREAS, The hopes for a great city will be realized during
3 his public service, including the planned opening of the \$20
4 million University of Texas Regional Academic Health Center,
5 multimillion dollar expansions of The University of Texas-Pan
6 American, and the further development of U.S. Expressway 281 into
7 the future Interstate Highway 69; and

8 WHEREAS, While serving as mayor of Edinburg, Richard Garcia
9 will set a high standard of leadership based on his noble goal of
10 being truly esteemed by his fellow citizens by rendering himself
11 worthy of their esteem; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 78th Texas
13 Legislature hereby commend Richard Garcia for his past and future
14 service in behalf of Edinburg, the three-time All-America City;
15 and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
17 prepared for Mayor Garcia as an expression of high regard by the
18 Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 1953

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1953 was adopted by the House on June 2, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House