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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.