

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 Ricardo
5 Rodriguez, Jr., elected in the spring of 2002 as city council member
6 by an informed and active constituency; and

7 WHEREAS, Councilman Rodriguez 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, Councilman Rodriguez's vision of leadership is
18 based on the belief that the best government is one that teaches us
19 to govern ourselves, and he is and will be a key figure in the
20 economic and educational advances that will propel Edinburg into
21 being one of 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 a member of the Edinburg City
9 Council, Ricardo Rodriguez, Jr., will set a high standard of
10 leadership based on his noble goal of being truly esteemed by his
11 fellow citizens by rendering himself worthy of their esteem; now,
12 therefore, be it

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

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

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H.R. No. 1956

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1956 was adopted by the House on June 2, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House