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H.R. No. 230

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, In recognition of his exemplary efforts to empower
2 the Latino community, Alonzo Cantu is being awarded the Medallion
3 of Excellence for Community Service at the 28th Annual Gala of the
4 Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute in Washington, D.C., on
5 September 14, 2005; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Cantu began his successful career in the
7 building industry in 1978, and for the past two decades he has
8 guided Alonzo Cantu Construction, Inc., based in McAllen, as
9 president and CEO; he also serves as chairman of the board of Lone
10 Star National Bank, a Hispanic-owned financial institution, and is
11 a partner in the group that owns the 142-bed Doctors Hospital at
12 Renaissance, in Edinburg; and

13 WHEREAS, In addition, Mr. Cantu has given substantial support
14 to VAMOS (the Valley Alliance of Mentors for Opportunities and
15 Scholarships), which awards grants to deserving Hispanic students
16 and also assists them through a mentoring program; and

17 WHEREAS, An important figure in Democratic politics for many
18 years, Mr. Cantu has rendered valuable support to candidates at all
19 levels of government, as well as to students of the political
20 process; and

21 WHEREAS, Through the years, this esteemed gentleman has
22 diligently worked to improve the quality of life for Latinos in
23 South Texas by providing affordable housing, developing health care
24 facilities, and expanding educational opportunities for talented

1 students, and his contributions to the people of the Valley are
2 deeply appreciated; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
4 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby congratulate Alonzo Cantu
5 on his receipt of the Medallion of Excellence for Community Service
6 from the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute and extend to him
7 sincere gratitude for his exceptional service to his community and
8 his state; and, be it further

9 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
10 prepared for Mr. Cantu as an expression of high regard by the Texas
11 House of Representatives.