

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The fond memories of a most meaningful and  
2 influential life may serve as comfort to the family and friends of  
3 Maria Rivera Alonzo, who passed away April 22, 2006, in Dallas; and

4           WHEREAS, A native resident of Texas, she was born on October  
5 7, 1930, in Crystal City, the town where she lived for most of her  
6 life; never ashamed or afraid of hard work, she earned money as a  
7 migrant farm laborer, traveling from Texas to several other states  
8 in order to contribute to the well-being of her family; and

9           WHEREAS, Upon meeting Emeterio M. Alonzo, Jr., Maria found  
10 her mate for life, and the two were blessed by 11 children; these  
11 sons and daughters, who included future state representative  
12 Roberto R. Alonzo, were continually inspired by the example of  
13 their strong, industrious, and loving mother who was the foundation  
14 of the family; and

15           WHEREAS, Speaking of his mother's influence on himself and  
16 his siblings, Representative Alonzo has said that, "We are who we  
17 are because of her"; Mrs. Alonzo not only stressed the importance of  
18 basic qualities such as honesty and responsibility, but also taught  
19 her children to value civic and political ideals such as equality  
20 and civil rights and to work for the betterment of all; and

21           WHEREAS, Mrs. Alonzo was deeply saddened by the loss of her  
22 husband, Emeterio, in the late 1970s, but she found solace in the  
23 love of her family and the friendship of her many other  
24 acquaintances; she was a frequent and most welcome visitor to the

1 Capitol, and her warmth, grace, and generosity will be fondly  
2 remembered here, as they will be by everyone who had the pleasure  
3 and good fortune of meeting this most remarkable woman; now,  
4 therefore, be it

5         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
6 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of  
7 Maria Rivera Alonzo and extend deepest sympathy to the members of  
8 her family: to her children, Ramon, Gerardo, Roberto, Victor,  
9 Javier, Ruben, Jose, Maria Luisa, Monica, Diana, and Maria Anna and  
10 to her 28 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren; and, be it  
11 further

12         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13 prepared for her family and when the Texas House of Representatives  
14 adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Maria Rivera Alonzo.

Gallego

Craddick	Giddings	McReynolds
Allen	Gonzales	Menendez
Alonzo	Gonzalez Toureilles	Merritt
Anchia	Goodman	Miller
Anderson	Goolsby	Moreno
Bailey	Griggs	Morrison
Berman	Grusendorf	Mowery
Blake	Guillen	Naishtat
Bohac	Haggerty	Nixon
Bonnen	Hamilton	Noriega
Branch	Hamric	Oliveira
Brown of Kaufman	Hardcastle	Olivo
Brown of Brazos	Harper-Brown	Orr
Burnam	Hartnett	Otto
Callegari	Hegar	Paxton
Campbell	Hernandez	Pena
Casteel	Herrero	Phillips
Castro	Hilderbran	Pickett
Chavez	Hill	Pitts
Chisum	Hochberg	Puente
Coleman	Hodge	Quintanilla
Cook of Navarro	Homer	Raymond
Cook of Colorado	Hope	Reyna
Corte	Hopson	Riddle
Crabb	Howard of Fort Bend	Ritter
Crownover	Howard of Travis	Rodriguez
Davis of Harris	Hughes	Rose
Davis of Dallas	Hunter	Seaman
Dawson	Hupp	Smith of Tarrant
Delisi	Isett	Smith of Harris
Denny	Jackson	Smithee
Deshotel	Jones of Lubbock	Solis
Driver	Jones of Dallas	Solomons
Dukes	Keel	Strama
Dunnam	Keffer of Dallas	Straus
Dutton	Keffer of Eastland	Swinford
Edwards	King of Parker	Talton
Eiland	King of Zavala	Taylor
Eissler	Kolkhorst	Thompson
Elkins	Krusee	Truitt
England	Kuempel	Turner
Escobar	Laney	Uresti
Farabee	Laubenberg	Van Arsdale
Farrar	Leibowitz	Veasey
Flores	Luna	Villarreal
Flynn	Madden	Vo
Frost	Martinez	West
Gallego	Martinez Fischer	Wong
Gattis	McCall	Woolley
Geren	McClendon	Zedler

H.R. No. 814

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 814 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 15, 2006.

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Chief Clerk of the House