

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 105

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Ramón Ayala for his long and storied career as a musician and philanthropist; and

WHEREAS, Ramón Ayala has been a mainstay of the norteño music scene for more than 40 years; he has recorded over 100 albums and received numerous awards; in 2001 Ramón Ayala y Sus Bravos del Norte won a Grammy Award for the album *En Vivo. . .El Hombre Y Su Musica*; and

WHEREAS, Known as the King of the Accordion, Ramón revolutionized norteño music in the 1960s, enlivening the music and lyrics to appeal to a broader audience; many other artists have reached the top of the musical charts recording his songs; and

WHEREAS, Ramón gives back to the community through his work with underprivileged children and children with disabilities; he has organized concerts and Christmas parties and donated school supplies for those in need; and

WHEREAS, An exceptional musician and a role model for aspiring artists everywhere, Ramón is truly deserving of legislative recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend Ramón Ayala for his many contributions to the cultural heritage of Texas and for the generosity he has shown through his charitable works; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Hinojosa

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 1, 2006.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate