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H.R. No. 60

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, For half a century, J. O. Barrera has served as the
2 Duval County veterans service officer, and his work in behalf of the
3 individuals responsible for keeping our nation free is indeed
4 worthy of special praise; and

5 WHEREAS, Following his tour of duty with the U.S. Army in
6 World War II and a decade of employment with the Duval County tax
7 collector's office, Mr. Barrera was appointed to his present
8 position, and even though he was offered the opportunity to serve in
9 the same role for the State Veterans Affairs Commission of Texas in
10 San Antonio, he declined that move in order to continue serving the
11 veterans of Duval County; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Barrera has been lauded time and time again for
13 his work; recognized as the outstanding veterans service officer
14 for the 60-county San Antonio Region in 1979, he was honored at the
15 52nd Annual Statewide Conference for Veterans Service Affairs in
16 1999 and received the National Commander's Appreciation
17 Certificate given by the American Veterans Organization Office that
18 same year; in 2000, Mr. Barrera garnered the prestigious Dan Garcia
19 Award and was named an outstanding county service officer at the
20 2000 Statewide Training Conference for Veterans Service of Texas;
21 and

22 WHEREAS, Through his dedication to his fellow veterans, J. O.
23 Barrera has exemplified the highest standards of excellence and
24 leadership and bettered the lives of countless Texans who have

1 valiantly defended our nation; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
3 Legislature hereby commend J. O. Barrera for his unfaltering
4 dedication and indispensable care to the veterans of Duval County
5 and their families and extend to him best wishes for the years
6 ahead; and, be it further

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