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H.R. No. 92

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The passing of Roy Huerta, Jr., on June 12, 2004, at
2 the age of 53, brought a great loss to the family and friends of this
3 beloved San Antonio resident; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Huerta dedicated nearly four decades of his life
5 to the *San Antonio Express-News*, where he was widely known and
6 admired by his many colleagues; he began his distinguished tenure
7 at the newspaper as a mail clerk in 1968, when he was only a junior
8 in high school and, through the years, worked as office clerk, night
9 copy supervisor, supervisor in advertising services, and assistant
10 ad service manager before earning his post as manager of
11 advertising operations; and

12 WHEREAS, A vital member of the *Express-News* team, Mr. Huerta
13 oversaw the allocation of editorial and advertising space and
14 amicably resolved the inevitable conflicts that arose between the
15 two departments; he is credited with moving production into the
16 digital age, and, thanks in part to his contributions, the paper now
17 boasts one of the most technologically advanced layout systems of
18 any newspaper in the country; and

19 WHEREAS, This notable Texan was active in a number of
20 occupational and community organizations, serving as president of
21 the American Newspaper Layout Managers Association, as an officer
22 on the Deco District board, and as a member of the Jefferson
23 Neighborhood Association and the Jefferson/Woodlawn Lake CDC
24 Board; and

1 WHEREAS, In addition to his many professional and civic
2 commitments, Mr. Huerta found time to indulge his love of football
3 by officiating at high school and college games and enjoyed
4 membership in the San Antonio chapter of the Southwest Football
5 Officials Association; and

6 WHEREAS, A skilled and genial leader with a contagious
7 enthusiasm for work and for life in general, Roy Huerta, Jr.,
8 touched the lives of many people during his years on this earth, and
9 though his special presence will be deeply missed, his memory will
10 long endure in the hearts of all who knew and loved him; now,
11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
13 Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the life of Roy Huerta,
14 Jr., and extend deepest sympathy to his family: to his devoted wife,
15 Evelyn Huerta; to his son, Jeffrey Huerta, and his stepsons, Robert
16 A. Benavides, Joshua M. Benavides, and Buddy De La Rosa; to his
17 grandchildren, Anastacia Benavides, Isaiah Benavides, and Nicholas
18 De La Rosa; to his parents, Lupe and Roy Huerta, Sr.; to his sister,
19 Grace Villareal and her husband, Santos; to his brother, Ronald
20 Huerta; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it
21 further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for the members of his family and that when the Texas House
24 of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Roy
25 Huerta, Jr.