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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, A full and rewarding life came to a close with the 2 passing of Ruben V. Garza, Sr., of Robstown on December 28, 2004, at 3 the age of 73; and

WHEREAS, Born on June 27, 1931, Mr. Garza enlisted in the U.S. Army and served in the Korean War from 1951 to 1952; his meritorious tour of duty earned him a Purple Heart and the Korean service medal with three bronze service stars; and

WHEREAS, After the war, Mr. Garza continued to give to his 8 country as an employee of the Corpus Christi Army Depot, from which 9 he eventually retired; he further demonstrated his patriotism and 10 11 devotion to his fellow servicemen through his active participation 12 in the Disabled American Veterans and the American GI Forum 13 Veteran's Outreach program, which he served as a member of the state 14 board of directors and as local, district, and regional chair; 15 moreover, he founded the Robstown American GI Forum Housing Project in 1969 and served as chair of its board of trustees; and 16

WHEREAS, Mr. Garza gave generously of his time and talents to the city he loved to call home; a valued member of the Robstown City Council, he served as mayor pro tempore and maintained an active membership in the Kiwanis Club and Iglesia Cristiana Bet-El; and

21 WHEREAS, Preceded in death by his beloved brothers Noe Garza 22 and Jose Garza, Mr. Garza will best be remembered for his kindness 23 and compassion, his delightful sense of humor, and his love of 24 family and friends; a true inspiration to all who were privileged to

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1 know him, he will undoubtedly live on in the hearts of those whose
2 lives he so richly blessed; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas 4 Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the life of Ruben V. Garza, Sr., and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his 5 6 family: to his children, Rosa Linda Silva, Sylvia Ann "BeBe" Bellfield, and Ruben V. Garza, Jr.; to his brothers, Rafael, 7 Eleodoro, Ignacio, Mauro, Gilberto, and Homero Garza; to his 8 grandchildren, Anissa and Shawn Zilka and Autumn Renee and Marcell 9 "Trip" Bellfield; to his great-granddaughter, Nevaeh Zilka; and to 10 his other family members and many friends; and, be it further 11

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 13 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 14 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ruben V. 15 Garza, Sr.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 132 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 2, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House