H.R. No. 197

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The passing of Raul G. Reyna of Edinburg on August 2 24, 2004, has brought great sorrow to this esteemed gentleman's 3 circle of loved ones; and

WHEREAS, Born in 1932 to Santos and San Juanita Reyna, he grew up in a close-knit family with seven sisters and graduated from Edinburg High School; a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War, he attended The University of Texas-Pan American and graduated from the FBI Academy; and

9 WHEREAS, Over the course of an impressive career dedicated to the welfare and safety of his fellow Texans, Mr. Reyna was employed 10 11 with the Edinburg Police Department as a supervising sergeant for 12 15 years and the City of Pharr as its police chief for four years; he also held the position of rehabilitation officer for the Hidalgo 13 14 County Sheriff's Department and retired as chief bailiff of the 332nd District Court under Judge Mario Ramirez after 12 years of 15 16 exemplary service; and

WHEREAS, In his leisure time, Mr. Reyna continued to work for the betterment of the Edinburg community through various civic endeavors; the founding scoutmaster of Boy Scouts of America Troop No. 72, he was an active member of the American Legion, Knights of Columbus, VFW Post No. 409, Woodmen of the World, and St. Joseph Catholic Church; in addition, he took great pride in his family, his home, and his well-tended garden; and

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WHEREAS, The vibrant personality and generous spirit of Raul

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H.R. No. 197 1 Reyna earned him many friends during his lifetime, and he will long 2 remain in their memories; and

3 WHEREAS, Representative Aaron Peña has justly recognized 4 Raul G. Reyna by passing this resolution in his behalf during the 5 Regular Session of the 79th Texas Legislature; now, therefore, be 6 it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas 7 8 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Raul G. Reyna and 9 extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to his devoted 10 wife of 51 years, Minerva Garza Reyna; to his son, Raul Reyna, Jr.; to his grandchildren, Jimmy Roy, John Paul, Jude Michael, and Jade 11 Reyna; to his sisters, Maria Reyna Guzman, Sira Reyna Lozano, Lydia 12 Reyna Alvarez, Ciria Reyna, Simona Reyna Guerra, and Adelina Reyna 13 14 Rios; and to all who mourn the passing of this much-loved man; and, 15 be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 17 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of 18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Raul G. 19 Reyna.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 197 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 7, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House