

By: Pena

H.R. No. 197

R E S O L U T I O N

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

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

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

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

24           WHEREAS, The vibrant personality and generous spirit of Raul

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

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
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.;  
11 to his grandchildren, Jimmy Roy, John Paul, Jude Michael, and Jade  
12 Reyna; to his sisters, Maria Reyna Guzman, Sira Reyna Lozano, Lydia  
13 Reyna Alvarez, Ciria Reyna, Simona Reyna Guerra, and Adelina Reyna  
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.