

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, With the passing of Benito G. Rodriguez on June 21,
2 2004, at the age of 85, South Texas has lost a valiant patriot, a
3 hardworking entrepreneur, and an irreplaceable pillar of the
4 community; and

5 WHEREAS, Well known to his fellow Edinburg residents for more
6 than four decades as the owner of Benny's Dry Goods, a popular
7 western wear store, Mr. Rodriguez was also a veteran of World War
8 II, and throughout his life he took pride and pleasure in recalling
9 his service to his country; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Rodriguez enlisted in the Army at the age of 21,
11 immediately before the country's entry into World War II, and it was
12 while performing the difficult and hazardous duties of a machine
13 gunner that he was injured in an engagement with Japanese troops;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, On returning to Edinburg, he proceeded to build his
16 successful business while raising a family, instilling his tireless
17 work ethic and steadfast honesty in his own children by example; and

18 WHEREAS, Representative Aaron Pena has justly paid tribute to
19 the life of Benito G. Rodriguez by passing this resolution in his
20 behalf during the Regular Session of the 79th Texas Legislature;
21 now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
23 Legislature hereby honor the memory of Benito G. Rodriguez of
24 Edinburg and extend sincere sympathy to his family: to his wife,

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1 Petra Rodriguez; to his children and their spouses, J. Humberto and
2 Norma Rodriguez, Becky Rodriguez, Ricardo and Arlene Rodriguez, and
3 Benny Rodriguez, Jr., and his wife, Rosie; to his grandchildren,
4 Audra, J., Ricky, Brianna, Amanda, Deandra, Benjamin, and Abraham
5 Rodriguez, Billy and Laura Guerra, and Christopher and Aissa Luna;
6 and to his other relatives and many friends.

Pena
Gonzales

Craddick	Geren	Menendez
Allen of Harris	Giddings	Merritt
Allen of Dallas	Gonzales	Miller
Alonzo	Gonzalez Toureilles	Moreno of Harris
Anchia	Goodman	Moreno of El Paso
Anderson	Goolsby	Morrison
Bailey	Griggs	Mowery
Baxter	Grusendorf	Naishtat
Berman	Guillen	Nixon
Blake	Haggerty	Noriega
Bohac	Hamilton	Oliveira
Bonnen	Hamric	Olivo
Branch	Hardcastle	Orr
Brown of Kaufman	Harper-Brown	Otto
Brown of Brazos	Hartnett	Paxton
Burnam	Hegar	Pena
Callegari	Herrero	Phillips
Campbell	Hilderbran	Pickett
Casteel	Hill	Pitts
Castro	Hochberg	Puente
Chavez	Hodge	Quintanilla
Chisum	Homer	Raymond
Coleman	Hope	Reyna
Cook of Navarro	Hopson	Riddle
Cook of Colorado	Howard	Ritter
Corte	Hughes	Rodriguez
Crabb	Hunter	Rose
Crownover	Hupp	Seaman
Davis of Harris	Isett	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	Jackson	Smith of Harris
Dawson	Jones of Lubbock	Smithee
Delisi	Jones of Dallas	Solis
Denny	Keel	Solomons
Deshotel	Keffer of Dallas	Strama
Driver	Keffer of Eastland	Straus
Dukes	King of Parker	Swinford
Dunnam	King of Zavala	Talton
Dutton	Kolkhorst	Taylor
Edwards	Krusee	Thompson
Eiland	Kuempel	Truitt
Eissler	Laney	Turner
Elkins	Laubenberg	Uresti
Escobar	Leibowitz	Van Arsdale
Farabee	Luna	Veasey
Farrar	Madden	Villarreal
Flores	Martinez	Vo
Flynn	Martinez Fischer	West
Frost	McCall	Wong
Gallego	McClendon	Woolley
Gattis	McReynolds	Zedler

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 219 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 24, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House