By: Gonzales H.R. No. 863

## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, J. D. Salinas III of Hidalgo County was deservedly 2 named the County Clerk of the Year for the State of Texas by the

County and District Clerks Association of Texas at the

organization's annual conference held in June 2004; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of both Texas A&M University and The University of Texas--Pan American, where he earned his master's degree in public administration, Mr. Salinas first won election to his post in 1999, was reelected in 2003, and has served area residents with great distinction for the past six years; during

10 that time, he has implemented the Random Automated Assignment

11 System for court cases and created the Hidalgo County Clerk

12 Collections Department, which has brought in \$11 million in court

13 costs and fines in the past four years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Salinas has further benefited the Lone Star

15 State as the director of Region VIII of the County and District

16 Clerks Association of Texas; highly regarded by his professional

peers, he has been previously honored by the organization as the

18 2000 County Clerk of the Year for the Southern Region; and

19 WHEREAS, J. D. Salinas embodies the highest ideals of public

service, and through his devotion to excellence, he has truly made

Hidalgo County a better place in which to live; now, therefore, be

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23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas

Legislature hereby congratulate J. D. Salinas III on being named

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- 1 the County Clerk of the Year for the State of Texas by the County and
- 2 District Clerks Association of Texas and commend him for his years
- 3 of service benefiting the people of Hidalgo County; and, be it
- 4 further
- 5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 6 prepared for Mr. Salinas as an expression of high regard by the
- 7 Texas House of Representatives.