

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Sebastian Zarate of Laredo is making incomparable
2 contributions to the breeding of Azteca horses in the Rio Grande
3 Valley, and his efforts and achievements are most worthy of special
4 recognition; and

5 WHEREAS, As a horse expert for the Mid-Valley Stables in
6 Mercedes, Mr. Zarate focuses on the proper selection of the Azteca,
7 a crossbred horse with Andalusian and Quarter Horse bloodlines that
8 is noteworthy for its strong bone density, ability to maintain in
9 the air, and iron-like hooves; he is the only person authorized by
10 the International Association of Mexican Azteca Horse Breeders to
11 approve, value, and register Azteca horses in the United States;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, This esteemed trainer and breeder has taken his team
14 to perform at the Houston Livestock Show and to participate in the
15 Rose Bowl Parade, and he is scheduled to perform three shows at the
16 16th Annual Rio Grande Valley Onion Festival, sponsored by the
17 Weslaco Area Chamber of Commerce and the City of Weslaco, on April
18 2, 2005; and

19 WHEREAS, In addition to serving as a trainer for the Azteca
20 horse ranch, founded by Ruben Cardenas, Mr. Zarate teaches numerous
21 students the technique and discipline that it takes to communicate
22 with and understand the horse and to engage in healthy riding; and

23 WHEREAS, Sebastian Zarate's skillful work with Azteca horses
24 brings wide attention to this beautiful breed, and it is most

1 appropriate to recognize him for his unwavering commitment to the
2 highest standards of achievement; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
4 Legislature hereby honor Sebastian Zarate for his dedication to the
5 breeding and training of Azteca horses and extend to him sincere
6 best wishes for the future; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for Mr. Zarate as an expression of high regard by the Texas
9 House of Representatives.

Martinez

H.R. No. 986

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 986 was adopted by the House on April 22, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House