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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Gilberto Velasco is an outstanding role model and 2 hardworking businessman who retired from the Parks and Wildlife 3 Department in February 2000 after an impressive career that covered almost three decades; and 4 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Velasco began his employment with the Parks and 6 Wildlife Department in December 1971 as a park ranger at Fort Leaton State Historic Site, and he retired as a maintenance supervisor 7 overseeing operations at Big Bend Ranch, Barton 8 Warnock Environmental Education Center in Lajitas, and Mesquite Ranch; and 9 WHEREAS, A valued and lifelong resident of Presidio, Mr. 10 Velasco is a former member of the board of the Presidio Independent 11 12 School District and has made other significant contributions to his 13 community through his participation in the Presidio Lions Club and 14 Knights of Columbus; in 1986, he started his own business, Velasco's Dump Truck and Backhoe Service, and he continues to serve 15 16 his community with his many talents and skills; and WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Velasco has enjoyed the 17 18 love and support of his wife, Carolina Granado Velasco, and his children, Ricardo and Nora; and 19 WHEREAS, Mr. Velasco served the State of Texas with integrity 20

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and dedication, earning the lasting respect of all who were

privileged to work with him, and it is a pleasure to recognize him

for his many achievements during his employment with the Parks and

Wildlife Department and his efforts that have benefited the people

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- of the Presidio area; now, therefore, be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
- 3 Legislature hereby commend Gilberto Velasco on his service to his
- 4 community and this state and extend to him best wishes for the
- 5 future; and, be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 7 prepared for Mr. Velasco as an expression of high regard by the
- 8 Texas House of Representatives.