

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Rio Grande Valley Academy of General Dentistry  
2 seeks to advance excellence in the field of general dentistry and to  
3 contribute to the well-being of residents in the Rio Grande Valley;  
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5           WHEREAS, Established in 1987, the RGV-AGD is a component of  
6 the Texas Academy of General Dentistry and the national Academy of  
7 General Dentistry; and

8           WHEREAS, The RGV-AGD focuses primarily on providing quality  
9 continuing education to the dental community in its region and  
10 holds several continuing dental education seminars every year; the  
11 group donates 20 percent of the profits of its major seminar to  
12 Dentists Who Care, Inc., a nonprofit group of Valley dentists who  
13 provide charity dental care to local underprivileged children; and

14           WHEREAS, Members of the RGV-AGD have helped the Texas AGD by  
15 translating important dental information from English into  
16 Spanish; they have also served as volunteers for dental information  
17 telethons, where they are able to convey information in both  
18 English and Spanish to area residents; and

19           WHEREAS, In addition, the RGV-AGD is the only component of  
20 the AGD in Texas to offer a scholarship; for the past three years,  
21 the group has presented an annual \$1,000 grant to a student from the  
22 Rio Grande Valley entering dental school; and

23           WHEREAS, In tribute to its leadership, service, and education  
24 efforts, the RGV-AGD was designated the Component of the Year by the

1 Texas AGD in 2004, becoming the first local academy to ever receive  
2 that prestigious honor; and

3 WHEREAS, Members of the RGV-AGD are committed to the pursuit  
4 of lifelong learning in order to better serve the people of the Rio  
5 Grande Valley, and their outstanding dedication to their profession  
6 is indeed deserving of commendation at this time; and

7 WHEREAS, Representative Aaron Pena has justly recognized the  
8 RGV-AGD by authoring this resolution in its behalf during the  
9 Regular Session of the 79th Texas Legislature; now, therefore, be  
10 it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas  
12 Legislature hereby honor the Rio Grande Valley Academy of General  
13 Dentistry for its notable contributions to the advancement of  
14 general dentistry and for its exemplary service to the people of its  
15 community; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
17 prepared for the Rio Grande Valley Academy of General Dentistry as  
18 an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.

Pena  
Gonzales  
Martinez  
Guillen

H.R. No. 1274

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1274 was adopted by the House on April 21, 2005, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House