

By: Martinez

H.R. No. 1636

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A loving family and good friends were deeply
2 saddened by the death of Alvin M. Levine of Weslaco, who passed away
3 on May 2, 2005; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on October 29, 1936, in San Antonio, Mr. Levine
5 graduated from Weslaco High School and attended The University of
6 Texas at Austin, earning a degree in business administration and
7 marketing; he then accepted a position at Joske's department store
8 in San Antonio, but his two-year employment with the company was
9 interrupted with his service as a second lieutenant with the U.S.
10 Army Quartermaster Corps in Ft. Lee, Virginia; and

11 WHEREAS, After his military service, Mr. Levine joined his
12 parents in the family business on Weslaco's South Texas Boulevard;
13 after his father passed away, he assumed the position of president
14 and served in that capacity until 1998, when he retired; Levine's
15 Man Shop served Weslaco and the Rio Grande Valley faithfully for 66
16 years until March 2005, when it closed because of Mr. Levine's
17 illness; and

18 WHEREAS, This respected businessman also made significant
19 contributions to his community through his service as president of
20 the Weslaco Kiwanis Club and board member of the Weslaco Chamber of
21 Commerce and McAllen's Temple Emanuel; he was especially proud of
22 his work in the Rotary Club of Weslaco, which he served as president
23 for the 1995-1996 Rotary year and as the district governor's
24 representative from 1997-1998, in addition to having 15 years of

1 perfect attendance; and

2 WHEREAS, Al Levine was an esteemed entrepreneur, generous
3 civic leader, and good friend to many, and his spirit will live on
4 through his legacy of good works; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Alvin M. Levine and
7 extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife,
8 Marlou; to his son, Mark Levine and his wife, Allison; to his
9 daughter, Lisa Levine and her husband, Martin Kastenbaum; to his
10 granddaughters, Sarah and Rachel Levine; to his step-daughter, Emma
11 Sayavedra and her husband, Alfonso; and to his other relatives and
12 friends; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
14 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
15 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Alvin M.
16 Levine.