

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life came to a close with the
2 passing of Ezequiel C. Cavazos of Raymondville on February 24,
3 2005, at the age of 80; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Cavazos was born in Lyford on July 8, 1924, to
5 Willacy County pioneers Maria and Blas T. Cavazos; growing up, he
6 worked alongside his parents and four siblings in the family
7 general store while attending school; and

8 WHEREAS, A devoted patriot, Mr. Cavazos enlisted in the U.S.
9 Army to serve his country in World War II and participated in the
10 Normandy invasion; lost behind enemy lines for more than 30 days, he
11 was eventually reunited with his unit and completed his tour of
12 duty; and

13 WHEREAS, His meritorious record of service earned him the
14 EAME Campaign Medal with four bronze stars, the victory ribbon,
15 three overseas service bars, and a good conduct medal; Mr. Cavazos
16 was later honored with the Cross of Malta as a member of the
17 military honor guards of both the VFW and American Legion, and the
18 Normandy Jubilee Medal at the 50th anniversary of D-Day for his role
19 in liberating France; and

20 WHEREAS, Following his return to civilian life, Mr. Cavazos
21 wed Sofia Abrigo and embarked on a successful career as an
22 automobile salesman that would span 35 years; known for his
23 honesty, he took great pride in his work and in providing for his
24 wife and eight children; and

1 WHEREAS, An example to all who were privileged to know him,
2 Zeke Cavazos will long be remembered for his love of family,
3 community, and country, and although he will be greatly missed, his
4 legacy will live on in the hearts of those whose lives he touched
5 with his friendship and generosity; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 79th Texas
7 Legislature hereby pay special tribute to the life of Ezequiel C.
8 Cavazos and extend deepest sympathy to the members of his family: to
9 his wife of 58 years, Sofia Abrigo Cavazos; to his children, Mary
10 Hope, Nora Noreen, Ezequiel, Hector, Rolando, Harry, Elroy, and
11 Norbert; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 2028

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2028 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 27, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House