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H.R. No. 87

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, With the passing of Vidal M. Trevino on December 30,  
2 2006, Laredo has lost one of its most highly regarded leaders; and

3           WHEREAS, Born in 1929 in Sabinas Hidalgo, Nuevo Leon, Mr.  
4 Trevino grew up in Laredo, where he attended Martin High School; he  
5 proudly served his country during the Korean War, receiving a  
6 Bronze Star for his actions, and, after earning his bachelor's and  
7 master's degrees from Texas A&I in Kingsville, he joined the staff  
8 of Laredo ISD as a teacher with Central Elementary School; and

9           WHEREAS, Mr. Trevino's distinguished career in education  
10 spanned 46 years; he served as principal of L. J. Christen Middle  
11 School, director of federal projects, and assistant superintendent  
12 before becoming superintendent, a position in which he served for  
13 more than two decades; and

14           WHEREAS, Respected and admired by teachers, students, and  
15 people throughout the community, Mr. Trevino was known for his  
16 dedication to the students of LISD; he did much to improve  
17 curriculum and facilities during his tenure and implemented a  
18 childhood development and pre-kindergarten program; and

19           WHEREAS, Mr. Trevino retired from the district in 1995, but  
20 his passion for education never waned; named senior administrator  
21 of the D. D. Hachar Trust, he oversaw the allocation of more than  
22 \$10 million in scholarship money; he also created an honors program  
23 at Texas A&M International University and helped to establish the  
24 first magnet school in the area, which was named in his honor; and

1           WHEREAS, A diplomat and peacemaker, Mr. Trevino created the  
2 Student Advisory Council to bring together student leaders from  
3 rival Nixon and Martin high schools; he was also an avid supporter  
4 of athletics, who believed competitive sports helped to boost  
5 school spirit; actively involved in the Border Olympics, he served  
6 as president of the organization from 1978-1979, and during his  
7 term he supervised the construction of a new track at Shirley Field;  
8 and

9           WHEREAS, His influence reached beyond LISD; from 1961-1962,  
10 Mr. Trevino served his community as a member of the Texas House of  
11 Representatives, and he was also a valued member of the Independent  
12 Club; but, perhaps most importantly, he was able to bring out the  
13 best in others, inspiring them through his compassion, honesty, and  
14 integrity; and

15           WHEREAS, In bidding farewell to this fine Texan, Mr.  
16 Trevino's family, friends, and many admirers may take solace in the  
17 fact that his was truly a life well lived, and the positive  
18 contributions he made will continue to resonate in the Laredo  
19 community for years to come; now, therefore, be it

20           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas  
21 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of the Honorable Vidal M.  
22 Trevino and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to  
23 his wife, Lucila Trevino; to his sons, David Vidal Trevino and his  
24 wife, Marissa, Daniel Wesley Trevino and his wife, Lizette, and  
25 Roberto William Trevino; to his daughters, Nelda Anita Trevino and  
26 Christina Grace Dancause and her husband, Michael; to his  
27 grandchildren, David Vidal Trevino, Jr., and Ariana Alyssa Trevino;

1 and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

2           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
3 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
4 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of former  
5 State Representative Vidal M. Trevino.