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## RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, The Laredo Independent School District is paying 2 tribute to the late Sabas Perez by dedicating a new wing in his
- 3 honor at the LISD Magnet for Engineering and Technology Education
- 4 at Dr. Leo Gonzalez Cigarroa High School; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Mr. Perez, who passed away on October 30, 2006, at
- 6 the age of 78, was employed by Laredo ISD for more than 30 years as
- 7 an educator and counselor; throughout his life he demonstrated an
- 8 extraordinary commitment to the welfare of young people, both
- 9 inside and outside of the classroom; and
- 10 WHEREAS, A graduate of Laredo ISD's Martin Raymond & Tirza
- 11 High School, Mr. Perez attended Texas A&I University in Kingsville
- 12 and graduated from East Texas State University in Commerce with
- 13 bachelor's and master's degrees; and
- 14 WHEREAS, He drew on his personal experiences with racism and
- discrimination in order to relate to and advise students who sought
- 16 his counsel; moreover, he was quick to volunteer his time and
- 17 talents to support those students in times of crisis; and
- WHEREAS, During his long and fruitful life, Mr. Perez also
- 19 positively benefited the lives of others through his work with the
- 20 Texas Education Agency, the Texas Commission for the Blind, the
- 21 Texas Rehabilitation Commission, and the migrant program at Laredo
- 22 Community College; moreover, he served the community as executive
- 23 director of the Laredo Methadone Program; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Perez enjoyed a rewarding marriage with Maria

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- 1 Angela Perez, and together they raised an accomplished family;
- 2 Sabas Perez understood the importance of ensuring that educational
- 3 opportunities be made available to everyone, and it is fitting that
- 4 his legacy endure through the dedication of a new wing at the LISD
- 5 Magnet for Engineering and Technology Education; now, therefore, be
- 6 it
- 7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
- 8 Legislature hereby commemorate the dedication of a new wing at the
- 9 LISD Magnet for Engineering and Technology Education at Dr. Leo
- 10 Gonzalez Cigarroa High School in honor of Sabas Perez and pay
- 11 tribute to the life of this exemplary educator.