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H.R. No. 2241

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Antonio Perez Villarreal, mayor of
2 Fort Stockton, has distinguished himself as a dedicated and
3 accomplished community leader throughout his noteworthy tenure in
4 public service; and

5 WHEREAS, Raised in Rocksprings, Tony Villarreal began his
6 career as a civic leader at the age of 19, when he was elected to his
7 hometown's city council; by 21, he had won a seat on the Edwards
8 County Commissioners Court, making him the youngest county
9 commissioner in Texas and the first Hispanic to hold an elected
10 office in Edwards County; and

11 WHEREAS, In 1989, Mr. Villarreal and his family moved to Fort
12 Stockton, where he served his fellow Texans as a member of the Fort
13 Stockton ISD Board of Trustees and the Pecos County Commissioners
14 Court; he was appointed by Governor Ann Richards to the Permian
15 Basin Regional Review Committee and the Texas Department of Adult
16 Protective Services Advisory Board, and he continued to better his
17 community and state through his important work with such worthy
18 organizations as the Fort Stockton Main Street Advisory Board and
19 the Hospice of the Southwest Board of Directors; and

20 WHEREAS, The first Hispanic elected to the West Texas County
21 Judges and Commissioners board, Mr. Villarreal achieved a milestone
22 in 2003 when he was elected the first Hispanic mayor of Fort
23 Stockton; he has since fulfilled his many responsibilities with his
24 characteristic integrity and dedication to duty, and in his

1 capacity as mayor, he has worked with numerous area committees and
2 boards, including the Fort Stockton Convention and Visitors Bureau,
3 the Texas Municipal League, and the Permian Basin Airport Advisory
4 Board; and

5 WHEREAS, Through the years, Mayor Villarreal has contributed
6 to his church as a member of the parish finance council and ushers
7 committee and as a CCE instructor; moreover, his community efforts
8 have benefited the Fort Stockton Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the
9 Knights of Columbus, the Boy Scouts of America, the Kiwanis Club,
10 and many other organizations; and

11 WHEREAS, For 29 years, Mayor Villarreal has enjoyed the love
12 and support of his wife, Lisa Trevino Villarreal, who was elected
13 Pecos County district clerk in 2002, and together the couple take
14 great pride in their children, Annalisa, T. J., and Jon-Erik, and
15 their grandchildren, Victoria, Justin, David, Aralynn, and Lauren;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Throughout Tony Villarreal's nearly three decades
18 of public service, he has set a high standard of achievement to
19 which others may aspire, and he is indeed an inspiration to all who
20 know him; now, therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas
22 Legislature hereby commend Antonio Perez Villarreal for his
23 outstanding career and extend to him best wishes for the future;
24 and, be it further

25 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
26 prepared for Mayor Villarreal as an expression of high regard by the
27 Texas House of Representatives.