SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 479

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Robert Villarreal, who recently received a Citizen Hero Award from the San Antonio Police Department; and

WHEREAS, The Citizen Hero Award is the police department's highest award for a civilian; and

WHEREAS, Robert is a 21-year veteran of the United States Air Force and is a United States Customs and Border Protection officer; while driving down Jones Maltsberger Road on January 23, he saw a 10-year-old boy covered in blood calling for help after scrambling through a fence; and

WHEREAS, Robert did not hesitate to act and placed himself in danger by running into the boy's house and wrestling a knife away from the child's mother, who was attacking her other son; and

WHEREAS, Robert's actions were truly heroic, and he most likely saved one or both boys' lives while facing a grave danger to his own personal safety; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Villarreal exhibited uncommon courage and perseverance in handling a life-threatening event, and he is most deserving of legislative recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Robert Villarreal for his heroism, his exemplary courage, and his service to his community; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of highest regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate
I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 27, 2007.
Secretary of the Senate
Member, Texas Senate