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By: Pena

RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Members of Amigos Del Valle, Incorporated, are 2 visiting the State Capitol on February 10, 2009, in celebration of 3 Senior Day; and

WHEREAS, A consortium of county and city governmental entities, Amigos Del Valle provides nutrition, transportation, and housing services to senior citizens and low-income families in Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy Counties; the organization aims to secure safe, decent, and affordable housing for those in need and to help them live healthy, productive, and self-sufficient lives; and

10 WHEREAS, Amigos Del Valle was established in 1974 with an 11 operating budget of \$375,000; since that time, thousands of senior 12 citizens have benefited from its services, and today the agency's 13 annual budget has increased to nearly \$7 million; and

14 WHEREAS, Recognized for its outstanding efforts, the group 15 has earned accolades from the National Council of La Raza, the 16 Southwest Society on Aging, and *Hispanic Business Magazine*; and

WHEREAS, Texas senior citizens have devoted their lives to making this state a better place in which to live, work, and raise a family; by working to improve the quality of life for senior citizens in the Rio Grande Valley, Amigos Del Valle is helping to accord them the opportunities and respect they so richly deserve; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
 Legislature hereby welcome members of Amigos Del Valle,

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Incorporated, to the State Capitol for Senior Day on February 10,
 2009, and commend them for their contributions to residents of the
 Rio Grande Valley; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
prepared for the group as an expression of high regard by the Texas
House of Representatives.