

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Each year on September 16, Mexicans and Hispanics of
2 Mexican descent celebrate Mexico's independence from Spain,
3 recalling the historic events of that day in 1810; and

4 WHEREAS, Diez y Seiz de Septiembre marks the beginning of the
5 revolution that occurred after years of oppressive rule by Spain;
6 Catholic priest and national hero Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla touched
7 off the long-simmering rebellion when he ordered the arrest of
8 native Spaniards in the town of Dolores and encouraged the
9 indigenous peoples of Mexico to overthrow the brutal Spanish
10 regime; and

11 WHEREAS, Today, Father Hidalgo is revered as the father of
12 Mexican independence, and his patriotic heroism continues to
13 inspire oppressed people of all nationalities; the legacy of this
14 remarkable man and his message of solidarity evoke heartfelt
15 feelings of pride and patriotism among those who celebrate this
16 momentous historical event; and

17 WHEREAS, *El Grito de Independencia*, or the "Shout of
18 Independence," is on the lips of those who pay homage to the courage
19 and perseverance of Father Hidalgo and his unlikely band of
20 revolutionaries, and the defiant, yet hopeful cry of "Mexicanos,
21 Viva Mexico" is uttered in proud tribute to their memory; now,
22 therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
24 Legislature hereby recognize Diez y Seiz de Septiembre, 2009, and

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1 pay tribute to the many native Mexicans who gave their lives in the
2 quest for freedom and independence.

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Straus	Gattis	Menendez
Allen	Geren	Merritt
Alonzo	Giddings	Miklos
Alvarado	Gonzales	Miller of Comal
Anchia	Gonzalez Toureilles	Miller of Erath
Anderson	Guillen	Moody
Aycock	Gutierrez	Morrison
Berman	Hamilton	Naishtat
Bohac	Hancock	Oliveira
Bolton	Hardcastle	Olivo
Bonnen	Harless	Orr
Branch	Harper-Brown	Ortiz, Jr.
Brown of Kaufman	Hartnett	Otto
Brown of Brazos	Heflin	Parker
Burnam	Hernandez	Patrick
Button	Herrero	Paxton
Callegari	Hilderbran	Peña
Castro	Hochberg	Phillips
Chavez	Hodge	Pickett
Chisum	Homer	Pierson
Christian	Hopson	Pitts
Cohen	Howard of Fort Bend	Quintanilla
Coleman	Howard of Travis	Raymond
Cook	Hughes	Riddle
Corte	Hunter	Rios Ybarra
Crabb	Isett	Ritter
Craddick	Jackson	Rodriguez
Creighton	Jones	Rose
Crownover	Keffer	Sheffield
Darby	Kent	Shelton
Davis of Harris	King of Parker	Smith of Tarrant
Davis of Dallas	King of Taylor	Smith of Harris
Deshotel	King of Zavala	Smithee
Driver	Kleinschmidt	Solomons
Dukes	Kolkhorst	Strama
Dunnam	Kuempel	Swinford
Dutton	Laubenberg	Taylor
Edwards	Legler	Thibaut
Eiland	Leibowitz	Thompson
Eissler	Lewis	Truitt
Elkins	Lucio III	Turner of Tarrant
England	Madden	Turner of Harris
Farabee	Maldonado	Vaught
Farias	Mallory Caraway	Veasey
Farrar	Marquez	Villarreal
Fletcher	Martinez	Vo
Flores	Martinez Fischer	Walle
Flynn	McCall	Weber
Frost	McClendon	Woolley
Gallego	McReynolds	Zerwas

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 299 was adopted by the House on
February 26, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House