

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Texas House of Representatives is pleased to  
2 recognize Arturo Guerra and Che Guerra and their families on the  
3 occasion of the opening of their restaurant in McAllen, The Patio on  
4 Guerra; and

5           WHEREAS, The new restaurant is on property that has immense  
6 historical significance to the Guerra family and the city of  
7 McAllen; it has been in the Guerra families since 1908, when three  
8 Guerra brothers, Enrique, Modesto, and Jose, pooled their resources  
9 and opened a ranching and mercantile store; the Guerras are among  
10 the founding families of McAllen and the original developers of the  
11 17th Street entertainment district, La Calle Guerra; and

12           WHEREAS, The building that houses the restaurant has been  
13 used as a livery stable, a mercantile, a pharmacy, and a warehouse  
14 over the years but had fallen into disrepair; retired state  
15 district judge Arturo Guerra, owner of the building, observed the  
16 building's poor condition and wanted to save the family's legacy; he  
17 had also longed to own a restaurant, so he began extensive  
18 renovations on the building in order to open a restaurant there; and

19           WHEREAS, Knowing that his cousin Che shared his feelings  
20 regarding the family's heritage, Arturo invited him to partner with  
21 him on the historically themed restaurant project; Che, owner of  
22 Nuevo Santander Gallery, had experience both in managing a  
23 restaurant and in renovation projects preserving the Rio Grande  
24 Valley's historical past and its Spanish influence; and

1           WHEREAS, Arturo and Che Guerra opened The Patio on Guerra in  
2 October 2008; the upscale restaurant attracts a diverse clientele  
3 who can appreciate the historical significance of the building and  
4 the Guerra family's rich past while savoring the food from the  
5 restaurant's diverse and affordable menu; now, therefore, be it

6           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
7 Legislature hereby congratulate the Guerra family on their new  
8 restaurant and extend to all best wishes for continued success;  
9 and, be it further

10           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for the Guerra family as an expression of high regard by  
12 the Texas House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 832

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 832 was adopted by the House on March 26, 2009, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House