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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Jaime Esparza has significantly benefited his
fellow citizens as the district attorney of El Paso, Culberson, and
Hudspeth Counties for more than 15 years; and

WHEREAS, An El Paso native, Jaime Esparza graduated from 4 5 Burgess High School and went on to earn degrees from The University of Texas at Austin and the University of Houston Law Center; he was 6 7 licensed to practice law in 1983 and subsequently served as a prosecutor for the Harris County District Attorney's Office and as 8 an assistant district attorney and public defender for El Paso 9 County before being elected district attorney of the 34th Judicial 10 11 District in 1992; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Esparza has contributed his leadership to such 13 notable organizations as the National District Attorneys 14 Association, the Texas District and County Attorneys Association, which he has served as president, and the boards of several High 15 Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas; known for his no-nonsense stance 16 on drugs, he organized the Southwest Border Prosecutors to partner 17 with the federal government in handling drug trafficking at the 18 international ports-of-entry; and 19

WHEREAS, Since taking office, this dedicated Texan has 20 21 implemented several successful initiatives, including the District System, 22 Attorney Information Management which allows law 23 enforcement officers and assistant district attorneys to 24 communicate about criminal cases around the clock, and the county's

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1 first Child Fatality Review Team; particularly interested in 2 children's issues, he also established the Children's Court and the 3 local Amber Alert, and he is a founding board member of the Advocacy 4 Center for the Children of El Paso; and

5 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Mr. Esparza enjoys the love 6 and support of his wife, Noelia, and their four children, Diego, 7 Adrian, Elena, and Enrique; and

8 WHEREAS, Publicly commended with the El Paso Police 9 Department Visionary Award, Jaime Esparza has worked to ensure the 10 safety and security of residents of El Paso and the surrounding 11 area, and he may take justifiable pride in his exemplary record of 12 achievement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas Legislature hereby honor Jaime Esparza for his outstanding efforts in behalf of El Paso, Culberson, and Hudspeth Counties and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 18 prepared for Mr. Esparza as an expression of high regard by the 19 Texas House of Representatives.

> Marquez Moody Quintanilla Pickett

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1410 was adopted by the House on April 27, 2009, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House