

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Carlos Reynaldo Gutierrez of Seguin has bridged  
2 Latin and Anglo cultures for more than five decades as a musician in  
3 Central Texas; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in Victoria on February 16, 1943, "Charlie"  
5 Gutierrez demonstrated his love of music at a young age; his uncle,  
6 Rudy Martinez, played in a big band and served as his mentor, buying  
7 him his first musical instrument and giving him extensive lessons;  
8 a gifted saxophonist, flutist, and vocalist, Mr. Gutierrez was  
9 invited to play weekend shows alongside his uncle as a teenager; he  
10 joined the orchestra of Dario Perez in 1959 and graduated from St.  
11 Joseph's High School two years later; and

12           WHEREAS, During the 1960s and 1970s, Mr. Gutierrez played  
13 with Joe Camacho's band, which pleased audiences with both Mexican  
14 music and popular tunes of the day; after Mr. Camacho passed away,  
15 Mr. Gutierrez joined with other members of his ensemble to form the  
16 Crystals, playing across Texas and for many Victoria civic and  
17 social functions into the 1990s; and

18           WHEREAS, This dedicated musician also began performing from  
19 time to time with Austin big band legend Nash Hernandez; after Mr.  
20 Hernandez passed away in 1994, his son, Ruben, took on leadership of  
21 the Nash Hernandez Orchestra, and he hired Mr. Gutierrez as lead  
22 singer in 1999; and

23           WHEREAS, While excelling as a performer, Mr. Gutierrez has  
24 enjoyed success as a businessman as well; in all his endeavors, he

1 enjoys the love and support of his wife of 45 years, Terry  
2 Gutierrez, their two daughters, Christine Welty and Cathy Biggins,  
3 and their grandchildren, Kristin Gutierrez and Skyler Biggins; and

4       WHEREAS, An outstanding citizen and a captivating vocalist,  
5 Mr. Gutierrez continues to blend cultures and delight a host of fans  
6 as he sings Latin favorites, American jazz standards, and classic  
7 R&B with the longest-running big band in the capital of the Lone  
8 Star State; now, therefore, be it

9       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas  
10 Legislature hereby honor Charlie Gutierrez for his remarkable  
11 musical career and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued  
12 success; and, be it further

13       RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
14 prepared for Mr. Gutierrez as an expression of high regard by the  
15 Texas House of Representatives.

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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. 2184 was adopted by the House on May 27, 2009, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House