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H.R. No. 2662

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, McAllen assistant city manager Pilar Rodriguez has
2 received the 2008 Professional Manager of the Year in Emergency
3 Management Award from the Texas Chapter of the American Public
4 Works Association for his outstanding career service achievements;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Rodriguez oversees McAllen's public works,
7 engineering, and development services, and he has been instrumental
8 in the creation of Public Works Task Force 1, a regional team of
9 public works professionals who respond to natural and man-made
10 disasters; and

11 WHEREAS, His accomplishments in recent years include
12 directing the Public Works Department's response to torrential
13 rains in July 2007, when more than 15 million gallons of water were
14 pumped to help alleviate flooding, and leading its efforts to
15 mitigate the threat of wildfires; in addition, Mr. Rodriguez serves
16 as McAllen's deputy emergency management coordinator, and during
17 the 2007 hurricane season he helped prepare for a possible mass
18 evacuation in anticipation of Hurricane Dean; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Rodriguez has further distinguished himself as
20 deputy fire chief for the Pharr Volunteer Fire Department for the
21 past 15 years; and

22 WHEREAS, A skilled and dedicated public servant, Pilar
23 Rodriguez contributes daily to the quality of life in the McAllen
24 community, and his outstanding emergency preparation efforts are

1 especially worthy of recognition; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
3 Legislature hereby congratulate Pilar Rodriguez on his receipt of
4 the 2008 Professional Manager of the Year in Emergency Management
5 Award and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success
6 and happiness; and, be it further

7 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
8 prepared for Mr. Rodriguez as an expression of high regard by the
9 Texas House of Representatives.