

By: Gallego

H.R. No. 2790

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Avinash K. Rangra concluded his
2 service as a member of the Alpine City Council in 2009 after
3 distinguishing himself during his six-year tenure as the
4 representative for Ward 1; and

5 WHEREAS, First elected to the council in 2003, Dr. Rangra was
6 mayor pro tem from 2003 to 2006; his efforts helped bring about many
7 positive developments, including the resolution of a longstanding
8 water pressure problem in Alpine and the creation of a new animal
9 shelter and a skate park, to name but a few of his achievements;
10 moreover, he was active in the Texas Municipal League, serving as
11 the second vice president of Region IV and as a member of the Small
12 Cities Advisory Council; and

13 WHEREAS, A native of India, Dr. Rangra came to the United
14 States in 1962 and earned his Ph.D. at Oklahoma State University; in
15 1967, he joined the faculty at Sul Ross State University as a
16 chemistry professor and has participated in many important
17 initiatives at the university in the decades since, including his
18 current service as the chair of the Faculty Affairs Council; and

19 WHEREAS, This prominent member of the community has served as
20 president of the Southwest Texas Municipal Gas Board, and he has
21 taken leadership roles in the Alpine Masonic Lodge and Lions Club,
22 garnering a number of awards for his Lions activities; in all of his
23 endeavors, he enjoys the love and support of his wife, Anjali, and
24 their child, Amit; and

1 WHEREAS, Avinash Rangra has proven himself a devoted public
2 servant and involved citizen, and he has demonstrated an admirable
3 commitment to making Alpine an even better place to live and work;
4 now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 81st Texas
6 Legislature hereby honor Avinash K. Rangra for his service as a
7 member of the Alpine City Council and extend to him sincere best
8 wishes for the future; and, be it further

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