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H.R. No. 62

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Rio Grande City native Lauro L. Lopez has
2 distinguished himself through a lifetime of meaningful
3 accomplishments that have made a positive difference in the local
4 community and beyond; and

5 WHEREAS, Born on May 20, 1924, Mr. Lopez graduated from high
6 school in 1943 and served his country in the United States Army
7 during World War II; he was initially stationed at the headquarters
8 of General Eisenhower in England and then helped evacuate wounded
9 soldiers from France; after his honorable discharge from the
10 military, he attended The University of Texas at Austin, studying
11 geology, and subsequently worked in the garment industry in New
12 York City while pursuing a career in photography; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Lopez returned to Rio Grande City in the early
14 1950s, where he held jobs selling cars and working on the Falcon Dam
15 project; he was employed for more than 17 years with LFD
16 Homefurnishings, and then decided to open his own store, Triple L
17 Furniture and Appliance, in 1970; he continued to oversee the
18 business for the next 35 years; and

19 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan shared his time and talents as
20 the vice president of the Rio Grande Valley Partnership and as the
21 president of the Rio Grande City Chamber of Commerce; he was a
22 leader in the successful effort to reincorporate Rio Grande City in
23 1993, and he served two terms as a city alderman; appointed by
24 Governor Bush to the South Texas Workforce Development Board, he

1 also held a seat on the Starr County Industrial Foundation board;
2 moreover, he is active in the Catholic Church, as a grand knight in
3 the Knights of Columbus, and as a knight commander in the Order of
4 the Alhambra; and

5 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Mr. Lopez enjoys the love
6 and support of his wife, Maria Celia S. Lopez, with whom he has
7 shared more than six decades of rewarding partnership; the couple
8 are the parents of five children, David, Daniel, Diana, Dalinda,
9 and Delia; and

10 WHEREAS, Through service to his country, state, and hometown,
11 Lauro Lopez has garnered the lasting respect and admiration of his
12 fellow citizens, and he may indeed reflect with great pride on his
13 many notable achievements; now, therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
15 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor Lauro L. Lopez for
16 his contributions as a business and civic leader and as a member of
17 the armed forces and extend to him sincere best wishes for the
18 future; and, be it further

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