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H.R. No. 112

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, In the course of her long and accomplished career as  
2 a beautician, Elida Gutierrez Garcia has built a successful  
3 business in Benavides, and her work is greatly appreciated by  
4 numerous area residents; and

5           WHEREAS, Born to Doniaciano and Carmen Gutierrez on July 17,  
6 1936, the former "Lela" Gutierrez grew up with eight brothers and  
7 sisters; she attended school in Benavides until she had to give up  
8 her studies to help support the family; in 1963, she moved to Corpus  
9 Christi to attend Stevenson's Beauty School and earned her  
10 certificate in just six months, even while working to pay for her  
11 room and board; and

12           WHEREAS, This skilled beautician began her career at Selfa's  
13 Beauty Shop in Alice before returning to Benavides, where she was  
14 employed at shops owned by Jovita Carrillo and Emma Couling  
15 Martinez; in 1966, she opened her own business, Lela's Beauty Shop,  
16 beginning a successful venture that has served the city for more  
17 than four decades; and

18           WHEREAS, In 1970, she married Guadalupe M. Garcia, and the  
19 couple welcomed their son, Guadalupe, two years later; Mrs. Garcia  
20 took an eight-month break from her career at the time the baby was  
21 born but returned to work after building a new shop next door to her  
22 house; and

23           WHEREAS, The business has continued to operate at that  
24 location ever since, and through the years Mrs. Garcia has

1 generously devoted herself to meeting the needs of her clients; she  
2 performs home visits for the ill, elderly, and handicapped and  
3 provides transportation to her shop to those who need it; she has  
4 further contributed to her community through her work with Santa  
5 Rosa de Lima Catholic Church, where she and Mr. Garcia are  
6 parishioners; and

7         WHEREAS, With her talent, dedication, and concern for others,  
8 Lela Garcia has proven herself a successful entrepreneur who has  
9 made a positive difference in the lives of several generations of  
10 customers, and she may reflect with pride on her many achievements;  
11 now, therefore, be it

12         RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
13 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor Elida Gutierrez  
14 Garcia on her career accomplishments as a beautician and extend to  
15 her sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

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