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H.R. No. 118

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Starr County lost one of their esteemed
2 community leaders with the death of Dr. Ramiro Narro of Weslaco on
3 December 3, 2008, at the age of 76; and

4 WHEREAS, Ramiro Narro was born in McAllen on December 9,
5 1931, to Jose Maria Narro and Eva Guerra Narro; after graduating
6 from McAllen High School in 1951, he answered his nation's call to
7 duty and joined the U.S. Navy; he served as a hospital corpsman
8 aboard the U.S.S. *Repose* and the U.S.S. *New Jersey* during the Korean
9 War; and

10 WHEREAS, Returning to Texas, Dr. Narro earned his bachelor's
11 degree in pharmacy from The University of Texas at Austin in 1959
12 and his medical degree from The University of Texas Southwestern
13 Medical School in 1963; and

14 WHEREAS, A family practitioner for more than four decades,
15 Dr. Narro founded and operated Narro Medical Center Hospital in Rio
16 Grande City; he also served as medical director of Starr County
17 Memorial Hospital Rural Health Clinic in Roma and as a doctor with
18 Community Action Corporation of South Texas; for over 25 years, he
19 was the Starr County health officer, and for more than a decade, he
20 was the Starr County rabies authority; and

21 WHEREAS, Dr. Narro was active in his profession as president
22 of both the Hidalgo-Starr County Medical Society and the Valley
23 Chapter of the Texas Academy of Family Physicians; moreover, he was
24 a board member of TAFP, a life member of the American Academy of

1 Family Physicians, and a member of the American and Texas Medical
2 Associations; and

3 WHEREAS, Among Dr. Narro's other community leadership roles
4 were president of the Starr County Memorial Hospital board, vice
5 president of the Rio Grande City Consolidated Independent School
6 District board, and president of the Rotary Club; in addition, he
7 was a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the
8 International Order of Alhambra El Cid Caravan No. 106; and

9 WHEREAS, Through the years, Dr. Narro was supported in his
10 endeavors by his wife, the former Maria Celeste Gutierrez, and
11 their four children, Celeste, Ramiro, Yvonne, and Dario; and

12 WHEREAS, A dedicated physician and a public-spirited
13 citizen, Dr. Ramiro Narro is deeply missed, but the compassion and
14 integrity with which he lived his life continue to inspire all who
15 had the good fortune to know him; now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
17 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life and
18 legacy of Dr. Ramiro Narro.