

By: Gallego

H.R. No. 278

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Ismael Sosa, Jr., has distinguished himself as
2 president of Southwest Texas Junior College, and it is indeed
3 fitting to recognize his outstanding service; and

4 WHEREAS, Under the skilled leadership of Dr. Sosa, Southwest
5 Texas Junior College has been ranked among the top 120 community
6 colleges in the nation by the Aspen Institute; the Aspen College
7 Excellence Program analyzed publicly available data from
8 approximately 1,200 colleges in the U.S. and focused on completion,
9 which includes graduation and transfer to four-year colleges, as
10 well as such criteria as improvement over time and outcomes for
11 disadvantaged students; SWTJC was one of only 9 community colleges
12 in the state that were considered to be among the top 10 percent in
13 the country, and the selection of the Uvalde school is a testament
14 to the exceptional results achieved under the guidance of Dr. Sosa;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, In addition, the Uvalde Area Chamber of Commerce
17 named Dr. Sosa its 2011 Uvaldean of the Year at its annual banquet
18 in February; this prestigious accolade reflects the high esteem in
19 which Dr. Sosa is held by his fellow residents and the importance of
20 the role he plays in the local community; and

21 WHEREAS, Through his commitment to excellence and his
22 dedication to the students at SWTJC as well as to the citizens of
23 Uvalde, Dr. Ismael Sosa has set an inspiring example of leadership
24 and civic engagement, and he has earned the lasting respect and

1 admiration of all who know him; now, therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
3 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor Dr. Ismael Sosa, Jr.,
4 for his achievements as president of Southwest Texas Junior College
5 and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be
6 it further

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