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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Lorraine C. Camacho was posthumously recognized by
2 the Austin History Center in conjunction with its exhibit *Mexican*
3 *American Firsts: Trailblazers of Austin and Travis County*; and

4 WHEREAS, Honoring the important contributions made by
5 Mexican Americans to Central Texas, the Austin History Center and
6 its association joined with the Austin Public Library to organize
7 the show, which ran from August 21, 2010, through January 16, 2011;
8 *Mexican American Firsts: Trailblazers of Austin and Travis County*
9 celebrated the pioneering achievements of 32 remarkable men and
10 women and provided the public with an opportunity to learn more
11 about their lives; and

12 WHEREAS, One such individual, Lorraine Camacho, was honored
13 for her achievements in education; her tireless efforts in behalf
14 of education and the safety of young people earned her the
15 affectionate nickname "Grandma" Camacho; giving generously of her
16 time and talents, she volunteered as a room mother for the Reading
17 Is Fundamental program at Metz Elementary School, and she had her
18 home designated as a McGruff Safe House for neighborhood children;
19 and

20 WHEREAS, This beloved matriarch was the recipient of numerous
21 accolades; the City of Austin proclaimed September 15, 1991, as
22 Lorraine Castro Camacho Day, and she was recognized in connection
23 with the Metz Elementary 80th Anniversary Celebration
24 Commemorative History Play; moreover, the Austin Parks and

1 Recreation Department named its facility on Robert Martinez Drive
2 the Lorraine "Grandma" Camacho Center in her honor; and

3 WHEREAS, Through her outstanding accomplishments, Lorraine
4 Camacho made a positive difference in her community, and her legacy
5 is a source of pride and inspiration to many people; now, therefore,
6 be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
8 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Lorraine C. "Grandma"
9 Camacho, a Mexican American Trailblazer of Austin and Travis
10 County.