RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The retirement of Dr. Cayetano E. Barrera III on 2 December 12, 2010, brought to a close an outstanding career 3 distinguished by exceptional service to his patients, the medical profession, and the McAllen community; and 4 5 WHEREAS, A native with deep family roots in the Rio Grande Valley, Dr. Barrera was born in Mission and graduated from the local 6 7 high school, where he was president of the student body, captain of the football team, and a member of the National Honor Society; and 8 WHEREAS, Dr. Barrera earned his bachelor's degree from Baylor 9 University, serving as president of the Pre-Med Club during his 10 11 senior year, and went on to earn his medical degree from The 12 University of Texas Southwestern Medical School; following service in Vietnam as a member of the U.S. Army, he settled in McAllen and 13 14 established Family Physicians Clinic, a practice partnership; and WHEREAS, Respected in the medical community, Dr. Barrera has 15 served as chief of staff of McAllen General Hospital and as 16 president of the Texas Academy of Family Physicians--Valley Chapter 17 18 and Hidalgo-Starr Counties Medical Society; and WHEREAS, This esteemed South Texan has also been an advocate 19 of a number of important initiatives, serving as president of The

Tejano Monument, Inc., the McAllen Citizens League, and the McAllen

International Museum of Art and Science; he has further shared his

time and leadership with the Boy Scouts of America Rio Grande

Council, the Rio Grande Valley Historical Collection at The

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- 1 University of Texas--Pan American, and the McAllen Economic
- 2 Development Board; today, he serves as chair of the board at Rio
- 3 Bank; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Recognized for his dedicated service to his
- 5 profession and fellow citizens, Dr. Barrera has earned such honors
- 6 as the Doctor of the Year Award from the Texas Academy of Family
- 7 Physicians, the Citizen's Award from LULAC, Silver Beaver and
- 8 Paisano Awards from the Rio Grande Boy Scout Council, and the
- 9 Excellence in Leadership Award from the International Women's Board
- 10 at UTPA; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Cayetano Barrera has made lasting contributions as a
- 12 physician and generous volunteer, and he is truly deserving of
- 13 special tribute for his enduring commitment to serving the greater
- 14 good; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
- 16 Legislature hereby honor Dr. Cayetano E. Barrera III for his
- 17 distinguished medical career and service to his community and
- 18 extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 20 prepared for Dr. Barrera as an expression of high regard by the
- 21 Texas House of Representatives.

Munoz, Jr.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1840 was adopted by the House on May 19, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House