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H.R. No. 1840

R E S O L U T I O N

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
4 profession, and the McAllen community; and

5 WHEREAS, A native with deep family roots in the Rio Grande
6 Valley, Dr. Barrera was born in Mission and graduated from the local
7 high school, where he was president of the student body, captain of
8 the football team, and a member of the National Honor Society; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Barrera earned his bachelor's degree from Baylor
10 University, serving as president of the Pre-Med Club during his
11 senior year, and went on to earn his medical degree from The
12 University of Texas Southwestern Medical School; following service
13 in Vietnam as a member of the U.S. Army, he settled in McAllen and
14 established Family Physicians Clinic, a practice partnership; and

15 WHEREAS, Respected in the medical community, Dr. Barrera has
16 served as chief of staff of McAllen General Hospital and as
17 president of the Texas Academy of Family Physicians--Valley Chapter
18 and Hidalgo-Starr Counties Medical Society; and

19 WHEREAS, This esteemed South Texan has also been an advocate
20 of a number of important initiatives, serving as president of The
21 Tejano Monument, Inc., the McAllen Citizens League, and the McAllen
22 International Museum of Art and Science; he has further shared his
23 time and leadership with the Boy Scouts of America Rio Grande
24 Council, the Rio Grande Valley Historical Collection at The

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

15 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.