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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Memories of a life filled with joyful times and
2 meaningful accomplishments remain to comfort the family and friends
3 of Anthony A. Hernandez of Dallas, who passed away on April 16,
4 2011, at the age of 55; and

5 WHEREAS, Born in Dallas on October 18, 1955, Anthony
6 Hernandez graduated from Kimball High School and then studied
7 business and engineering at The University of Texas at Arlington;
8 he married his high school sweetheart, the former Cathy Steward,
9 and they shared 31 happy years together, raising three sons and
10 welcoming a granddaughter into the family; and

11 WHEREAS, After finishing college, Mr. Hernandez worked for
12 the Trammell Crow Company in Dallas and Chicago before founding his
13 own firm, Meridian Commercial; he was its chief executive and
14 driving force, overseeing construction projects throughout Texas;
15 in 1998, the company was honored by Southern Methodist University
16 with the Dallas 100 Award, which recognizes fast-growing privately
17 held firms in the city, and Mr. Hernandez was named Entrepreneur of
18 the Year by the Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce; he
19 further contributed to the business community by serving on the
20 boards of the Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber and the Dallas/Fort
21 Worth Minority Business Development Council; and

22 WHEREAS, A member of Park Cities Baptist Church, this
23 generous Texan was passionate about helping the less fortunate; he
24 was a regular contributor to a variety of causes, including the

1 Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber scholarship fund and numerous dog
2 rescue programs; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Hernandez never missed one of his sons' sporting
4 events or passed up a chance to dote on his granddaughter; in his
5 leisure time, he enjoyed riding his Harley-Davidson, cruising in
6 the car with the top down, and watching television nature shows, and
7 he was an avid fan of the UT Longhorns, the Dallas Cowboys, and the
8 Florida State University Seminoles; and

9 WHEREAS, Although his life ended far too soon, Anthony
10 Hernandez distinguished himself as a family man, a business leader,
11 and an engaged member of his community, and he will forever be
12 remembered with great admiration and affection; now, therefore, be
13 it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
15 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Anthony A.
16 Hernandez and extend sincere condolences to his loved ones: to his
17 wife, Cathy Steward Hernandez; to his sons, Jarrod Hernandez, Lance
18 Hernandez and his wife, Benecia, and Marine Lance Corporal Casey
19 Hernandez; to his granddaughter, Maddie Grace; to his mother, Ava
20 Nell Miller; to his sisters, Ava DeMellio and Alicia Andrews; and to
21 his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
24 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Anthony
25 Hernandez.