

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The Garcia family of Rio Grande City has
2 distinguished itself in myriad ways, and it is indeed fitting to
3 recognize their accomplishments; and

4 WHEREAS, Proud of a rich heritage in the Lone Star State, the
5 Garcia family counts among its ancestors a talented violinist,
6 Odilon Carrera, who played in Los Gavilanes, and J. R. Monroe, a
7 state representative and the great-great-grandfather of Mikael A.
8 Garcia, who now serves as legislative director in the office of
9 State Representative Aaron Pena; and

10 WHEREAS, Reigning today as patriarch and matriarchs are
11 grandparents Jose Leon Garcia, Margarita Garcia, and Beulah
12 Gonzalez; while helping to raise Mikael Garcia and his sister,
13 Arielle, Beulah Gonzalez taught them how to cook, how to stay
14 organized, and other life skills; in addition, she inspired them to
15 work diligently toward their goals; Jose Leon Garcia and Margarita
16 Garcia taught their grandchildren how to drive, and they developed
17 their appreciation for family ties and impressed upon them the need
18 to offer respect and kindness to everyone; and

19 WHEREAS, The parents of Mikael and Arielle, Nannette and
20 Ernesto Garcia, worked diligently to provide for their children;
21 Ernesto Garcia was employed by the State of Texas before
22 establishing a successful home health agency in Rio Grande City and
23 McAllen, and he played baseball with his son and basketball with his
24 daughter; an English teacher for 20 years, Nannette Garcia taught

1 both of her children to read by the age of three and developed their
2 love of the written word; she shared her enthusiasm for classic
3 films with her offspring as well; and

4 WHEREAS, Devoted to his niece and nephew, Rolando Gonzalez,
5 nicknamed "Tio Role," instilled an interest in science through his
6 instruction in chemistry; with so many relatives dedicated to their
7 upbringing, Mikael and Arielle Garcia both excelled in school and
8 other areas; Arielle Garcia played on the basketball team in middle
9 school and high school and went on to graduate from Texas State
10 University with a degree in kinesiology; meanwhile, her brother
11 began participating in politics as a high school student and earned
12 his bachelor's degree in government from The University of Texas at
13 Austin, the alma mater of his parents and his uncle; and

14 WHEREAS, The Garcia family sets a sterling example through
15 their steadfast support and encouragement of one another, and they
16 are a source of inspiration to all who are privileged to know them;
17 now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
19 Legislature hereby recognize the members of the Garcia family and
20 extend to them sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be
21 it further

22 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
23 prepared for the Garcia family as an expression of high regard by
24 the Texas House of Representatives.

Pena

H.R. No. 2342

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2342 was adopted by the House on May 30, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House