

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The community of Raymondville lost one of its most
2 beloved residents with the death of Fernando Ramirez on May 14,
3 2011, at the age of 71; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Sarita, "Freddy" Ramirez was born on May
5 11, 1940, to Emilio and Natalia Ramirez; he shared more than half a
6 century of marriage with his wife, Angelita, and he was devoted to
7 his sons, Mike, David, and Ronnie; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Ramirez worked for many years at Brown & Haynes
9 before serving his community as a volunteer firefighter with the
10 Raymondville Fire Department, where his skill and dedication
11 ultimately earned him the position of fire marshal and chief; a
12 leader in his profession, he was elected to the executive board of
13 the Rio Grande Valley Firefighter's & Fire Marshals' Association,
14 and in 1999 he was named Texas State Firefighter of the Year; active
15 in his church and the Knights of Columbus Council, he further
16 contributed to the city as a longtime member of the Raymondville
17 School Board; and

18 WHEREAS, Deeply committed to his family and his community,
19 Freddy Ramirez made a meaningful difference in the lives of his
20 loved ones and fellow citizens alike, and his contributions will be
21 fondly remembered for years to come; now, therefore, be it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas
23 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Fernando "Freddy"
24 Ramirez and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to

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1 his wife, Angelita Ramirez; to his sons, Mike Ramirez and his wife,
2 Missy, and David and Ronnie Ramirez; to his grandsons, Gabriel and
3 Daniel Ramirez; to his brother, Raul Ramirez; and to his other
4 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
6 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
7 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Freddy
8 Ramirez.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2365 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 30, 2011.

Chief Clerk of the House