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## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, For three decades, Ramon A. Castro of Del Rio has 2 dedicated himself to assisting those in need through his work with 3 the Emergency Medical Services Department of the Val Verde Regional 4 Medical Center; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Castro began his career as an emergency medical technician in 1982 after he had served as a volunteer firefighter 6 7 for the City of Del Rio for the previous five years; through rigorous training and hard work, he distinguished himself as a 8 9 valuable member of the department; one of the highlights of his tenure took place in 1986, when he received a commendation from the 10 11 EMS director for his lifesaving efforts while caring for a trauma 12 patient; and

WHEREAS, For the past three years, Mr. Castro has worked as a field training officer for new employees and certified EMTs looking to advance their knowledge, and he began teaching paramedic courses at the Val Verde Regional Medical Center EMS Academy in September 2010; and

18 WHEREAS, This experienced medical technician was appointed 19 to the position of EMS director in February 2011; in that capacity, 20 he oversees the daily operations of the department, supervising a 21 staff of 27 personnel; and

22 WHEREAS, A dedicated member of the community, Mr. Castro 23 gives of his time and talents to assist the United Way, the American 24 Cancer Society Relay for Life, and the Adopt-A-Highway program; in

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1 addition, he happily attends career days at local elementary 2 schools to extol the virtues of working as an emergency responder 3 and also volunteers at community health fair events; and

WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, he enjoys the love and support of his wife of 26 years, Rose Coronado Castro, and his daughter, Amanda, both of whom are involved with the regional medical center; Mrs. Castro works as patient liaison for the admitting department, and the couple's daughter is a volunteer for the Ladies Auxiliary/Blue Angels; and

10 WHEREAS, Ramon Castro has devoted his career to saving lives 11 and ensuring that emergency medical care is available to his fellow 12 citizens, and his contributions have earned the profound gratitude 13 of his neighbors and the lasting respect of his colleagues; now, 14 therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas 16 Legislature hereby congratulate Ramon A. Castro on his three 17 decades of exemplary service to the Emergency Medical Services 18 Department of the Val Verde Regional Medical Center and extend to 19 him sincere best wishes for continued success in his important 20 work; and, be it further

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

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I certify that H.R. No. 2616 was adopted by the House on May 30, 2011, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House