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H.R. No. 865

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Juan J. Mancha, Jr., and Diana Esquivel-Mancha of
2 San Antonio have distinguished themselves through their exemplary
3 community service; and

4 WHEREAS, More than a decade ago, Mr. and Mrs. Mancha launched
5 an initiative that provides school supplies to students in South
6 San Antonio; they served about 60 youth the first year, and the
7 demand continued to grow; helped in recent years by the group
8 Southside United Against a Violent Environment, the Mancha and
9 Friends School Supplies Giveaway now distributes backpacks full of
10 supplies to some 1,000 students; Mancha and Friends also offers
11 shoes, haircuts, and dental care to children in need; and

12 WHEREAS, In addition to their work with their namesake
13 project, the Manchas have played an instrumental role in bringing
14 violence prevention programs to South San Antonio, and they further
15 contribute to their community through their involvement in St. Leo
16 the Great Catholic Church; Mrs. Mancha has also worked extensively
17 with the parent-teacher association at her school, with the Texas
18 State Teachers Association, and with the Harlandale Education
19 Association, which she has served as president; and

20 WHEREAS, A graduate of Harlandale High School, Mr. Mancha
21 continued his education at St. Philip's College; he is the owner of
22 Cap'n Jim's Cafe, with which he has been associated for three
23 decades; Mrs. Mancha earned a bachelor's degree in elementary
24 education at Our Lady of the Lake University and has taught

1 elementary school students for the past 25 years; currently, she is
2 a dual language teacher at Adams Elementary School; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Mancha have been married for more than
4 two decades, and their lives have been blessed with two treasured
5 daughters, Anaid and Maria; and

6 WHEREAS, Texas communities are made richer by the efforts of
7 those individuals who step forward to help their fellow citizens,
8 and Juan and Diana Mancha can indeed reflect with pride on their
9 outstanding example of civic engagement; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
11 Legislature hereby honor Juan and Diana Mancha for their
12 exceptional contributions to their community and extend to them
13 sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
15 prepared for Mr. and Mrs. Mancha as an expression of high regard by
16 the Texas House of Representatives.