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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The prosperity of the Lone Star State has been 2 greatly influenced by its notable tradition of ranching, and Jesus 3 Gilberto Saenz has made many valuable contributions to the cattle 4 industry over the course of his long career in Texas; and

5 WHEREAS, Following his graduation from Benavides High School 6 in 1957, "Chick" Saenz joined the United States Marine Corps and 7 served his country for three years, becoming a marksmanship 8 instructor during that time; honorably discharged in 1960, he 9 returned home and ran cattle ranches, then worked for the Duval 10 County Sheriff's Office for six years before joining the United 11 States Department of Agriculture in 1972; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Saenz began his longtime involvement with the 13 Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association in 1973; as a 14 member of that organization's special rangers, he was commissioned through the Texas Department of Public Safety and certified by 15 16 Texas A&M University--Kingsville; this esteemed law enforcement officer investigated such crimes as cattle rustling, equipment 17 theft, poaching, and agricultural fraud in six South Texas 18 counties--Duval, Jim Hogg, Webb, Zapata, Starr, and Hidalgo; his 19 20 territory included the border between Laredo and Brownsville, where 21 more than 20 crossing points offer opportunity for the transit of stolen cattle both to and from Mexico; in carrying out his duties, 22 23 Mr. Saenz worked closely with a number of agencies on both sides of the Rio Grande; he also taught classes on livestock law and 24

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1 technology to members of other law enforcement agencies; and

2 WHEREAS, During his more than 40 years with the TSCRA, Mr. 3 Saenz rendered invaluable service to ranchers in his district, and 4 he may indeed reflect with pride on a career well spent; now, 5 therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas 7 Legislature hereby honor Chick Saenz for his distinguished career 8 as a special ranger with the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers 9 Association and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; 10 and, be it further

11 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 12 prepared for Mr. Saenz as an expression of high regard by the Texas 13 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1555 was adopted by the House on April 24, 2013, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House