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H.R. No. 1555

R E S O L U T I O N

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

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.