

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The residents of South Texas lost an admired
2 attorney and civic leader with the passing of David Garcia on July
3 4, 2012, at the age of 54; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, Mr. Garcia grew up in
5 Detroit; he learned the value of hard work at an early age, and he
6 continued to hold a job on the late shift at a steel foundry even
7 while attending the University of Michigan on a scholarship; after
8 completing his undergraduate studies in economics, he earned his
9 law degree at The University of Texas at Austin and later settled in
10 the Rio Grande Valley, home to many generations of his family; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Garcia was deeply devoted to the cause of social
12 justice; he defended the rights of farmworkers in a case that
13 reached the United States Supreme Court when he was just 26 years
14 old, and he was instrumental in the passage of legislation
15 increasing the wages and benefits provided to agricultural
16 laborers; in addition, he represented the League of United Latin
17 American Citizens in an antidiscrimination lawsuit that led to
18 greater representation for minorities on the board of the Sharyland
19 Independent School District; in another important initiative, he
20 filed suit against insurance companies to help more than 1,000
21 families whose homes were contaminated by mold; and

22 WHEREAS, Renowned for his generosity, Mr. Garcia served
23 hundreds of clients on a pro bono basis, and he used the fruits of
24 his success to benefit others, investing in neighborhoods

1 throughout the Lower Rio Grande Valley and providing financial
2 support and encouragement to a number of aspiring attorneys; he
3 also traveled to many impoverished areas of Africa on mission trips
4 that offered financial, medical, and educational assistance to
5 those in need; in all of his endeavors, he enjoyed the love and
6 support of his wife, Irma, and his children, Bianca, Ricco, and
7 Samuel; and

8 WHEREAS, Dedicated to his family and his community, David
9 Garcia made a meaningful difference in the lives of his loved ones
10 and fellow citizens alike, and although he left this world far too
11 soon, his contributions will remain a source of inspiration for all
12 who had the good fortune to know him; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
14 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of David Garcia and
15 extend sincere condolences to his loved ones: to his wife, Irma
16 Garcia; to his children, Bianca, Ricco, and Samuel Garcia; to his
17 parents, Juan Garcia and Lucinda Cantu; to his sisters, Clara
18 Garcia, Ester Pacheco, and Patricia Lopez; and to his other
19 relatives and many friends; and, be it further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
21 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
22 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of David
23 Garcia.

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Munoz, Jr.

Straus	M. Gonzalez of El Paso	Oliveira
Allen	N. Gonzalez of El Paso	Orr
Alonzo	Gooden	Otto
Alvarado	Guerra	Paddie
Anchia	Guillen	Parker
Anderson	Gutierrez	Patrick
Ashby	Harless	Perez
Aycock	Harper-Brown	Perry
Bell	Hernandez Luna	Phillips
Bohac	Herrero	Pickett
Bonnen of Brazoria	Hilderbran	Pitts
Bonnen of Galveston	Howard	Price
Branch	Huberty	Raney
Burkett	Hughes	Ratliff
Burnam	Hunter	Raymond
Button	Isaac	Reynolds
Callegari	Johnson	Riddle
Canales	Kacal	Ritter
Capriglione	Keffer	Rodriguez of Bexar
Carter	King of Hemphill	Rodriguez of Travis
Clardy	King of Parker	Rose
Coleman	King of Taylor	Sanford
Collier	King of Zavala	Schaefer
Cook	Kleinschmidt	Sheets
Cortez	Klick	Sheffield of Bell
Craddick	Kolkhorst	Sheffield of Coryell
Creighton	Krause	Simmons
Crownover	Kuempel	Simpson
Dale	Larson	Smith
Darby	Laubenberg	Smithee
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Deshotel	Longoria	Strama
Dukes	Lozano	Taylor
Dutton	Lucio III	Thompson of Brazoria
Eiland	Marquez	Thompson of Harris
Elkins	Martinez	Toth
Fallon	Martinez Fischer	Turner of Collin
Farias	McClendon	Turner of Harris
Farney	Menendez	Turner of Tarrant
Farrar	Miles	Villalba
Fletcher	Miller of Comal	Villarreal
Flynn	Miller of Fort Bend	Vo
Frank	Moody	Walle
Frullo	Morrison	White
Geren	Munoz, Jr.	Workman
Giddings	Murphy	Wu
Goldman	Naishtat	Zedler
Gonzales	Nevarez	Zerwas

H.R. No. 2340

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2340 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 17, 2013.

Chief Clerk of the House