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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss of Alfred  
2 Ortiz, a veteran law officer who passed away on March 1, 2013, at  
3 the age of 62; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Ortiz served his fellow citizens with  
5 distinction during a career that spanned 39 years and included  
6 tenures in the Texas and New Mexico Departments of Public Safety,  
7 sheriff's offices in Jim Wells, Duval, Brooks, and Nueces Counties,  
8 and the Premont Police Department, which he led as chief; and

9 WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan devoted a decade to the Corpus  
10 Christi Independent School District police force from 1993 to 2003;  
11 his concern for the welfare of the district was reflected in his  
12 judicious hiring practices and succession planning, which ensured  
13 that future generations of area students could enjoy a safe  
14 learning environment; an innovator in the field of school policing,  
15 he helped to secure funding and develop staffing formulas that  
16 transformed the CCISD police force into a model department with 32  
17 sworn officers; and

18 WHEREAS, Alfred Ortiz was an inspiration to his community and  
19 to his family, which included his wife of 39 years, Elizabeth, his  
20 daughter, Kimberly Ortiz Rayos, his sons, Christopher and Patrick  
21 Ortiz, and his eight grandchildren; and

22 WHEREAS, Though Alfred Ortiz is deeply missed, his legacy  
23 lives on in the institutions he nurtured and in the myriad  
24 accomplishments he leaves behind; now, therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Alfred Ortiz and  
3 extend sincere sympathy to his relatives and many friends; and, be  
4 it further

5           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
6 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
7 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Alfred  
8 Ortiz.