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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Education is key to both individual opportunity and  
2 the advancement of our society, and for three generations, the  
3 Garza family of Peñitas has demonstrated an extraordinary  
4 commitment to this vital endeavor; and

5 WHEREAS, Jose and Eva Garza started their life together in  
6 this small border community in the 1930s, and they vowed that each  
7 member of their growing family would one day earn a degree; with  
8 hard work and perseverance, the couple became the proud parents of  
9 nine college graduates: Jose Garza Jr., Odilia Garza Ochoa, Yolanda  
10 Garza Guerrero, Telca Garza Porras, Jose Guadalupe Garza, Mario  
11 Garza, Homero Garza, Diego Garza, and Hector E. Garza; and

12 WHEREAS, The love of learning that was instilled in the Garza  
13 children has now been passed on to Jose and Eva's grandchildren and  
14 great-grandchildren, and today, 38 members of the Garza family have  
15 graduated from college; this remarkable triumph was recognized by  
16 the Smithsonian Center for Latino Initiatives, which featured the  
17 family in the "Our Journeys/Our Stories: Portraits of Latino  
18 Achievement" exhibit at the National Museum of American History;  
19 and

20 WHEREAS, With limited means yet a love that knew no  
21 boundaries, Jose and Eva Garza charted a course for their family  
22 that would lead them into successful careers across many  
23 disciplines, and their inspiring story strikes a chord in the heart  
24 of every parent who ever dreamed of a better life for their child;

1 now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the 84th Legislature of the State of Texas  
3 hereby honor the Garza family for their record of accomplishments  
4 in higher education and extend to them sincere best wishes for the  
5 future; and, be it further

6           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
7 prepared for the family as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
8 House of Representatives and Senate.