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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Richard Garcia, mayor of Edinburg, has deservedly
been named one of the 2015 Pillars of Success by The University of
Texas--Pan American Alumni Association; and

WHEREAS, The University of Texas--Pan American Alumni 4 5 Association honors outstanding graduates as Pillars of Success, highlighting their motivational stories and achievements as 6 7 positive examples for current and future students; recipients of the award come from a variety of backgrounds and experiences, but 8 9 they have all shown dedication, integrity, and a commitment to 10 excellence in their specialized professions and in their 11 communities; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Garcia graduated from Edinburg High School in 13 1964 and earned a bachelor of business administration degree in 14 management at The University of Texas--Pan American in 1971; he went on to attain a juris doctorate degree from Texas Southern 15 16 University and became a federal criminal law attorney and senior partner at the firm of Garcia, Quintanilla, and Palacios in 17 McAllen; he is presently serving his second term as mayor of 18 Edinburg; and 19

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Garcia served the city as a municipal judge from 21 1975 to 1978, and he was also a county court at law judge for 16 22 years; highlighting his achievements in public service, he has 23 twice been chair of the Texas Border Coalition, and he was appointed 24 to the Texas Adult Probation Commission; currently, he is president

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of the Edinburg Economic Development Corporation, where he works to help local companies advance and promote economic expansion in the region; and

WHEREAS, Texas is fortunate to have passionate and engaged leaders like Richard Garcia, and his contributions to his community will continue to benefit area residents far into the future; now, therefore, be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas 9 Legislature hereby congratulate Richard Garcia on being named one 10 of the 2015 Pillars of Success by The University of Texas--Pan 11 American Alumni Association and extend to him sincere best wishes 12 for the future; and, be it further

13 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 14 prepared for Mr. Garcia as an expression of high regard by the Texas 15 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 588 was adopted by the House on February 26, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House