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H.R. No. 588

R E S O L U T I O N

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

4           WHEREAS, The University of Texas--Pan American Alumni  
5 Association honors outstanding graduates as Pillars of Success,  
6 highlighting their motivational stories and achievements as  
7 positive examples for current and future students; recipients of  
8 the award come from a variety of backgrounds and experiences, but  
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  
15 went on to attain a juris doctorate degree from Texas Southern  
16 University and became a federal criminal law attorney and senior  
17 partner at the firm of Garcia, Quintanilla, and Palacios in  
18 McAllen; he is presently serving his second term as mayor of  
19 Edinburg; and

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

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

4 WHEREAS, Texas is fortunate to have passionate and engaged  
5 leaders like Richard Garcia, and his contributions to his community  
6 will continue to benefit area residents far into the future; now,  
7 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.