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H.R. No. 799

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Joe Filoteo Jr. has greatly benefited his community
2 through his service as a coach and athletic director and in his work
3 as the head of the Edinburg Parks and Recreation Department; and

4 WHEREAS, A member of the Waco High School Class of 1973,
5 Mr. Filoteo went on to graduate with bachelor's and master's
6 degrees in education from Baylor University; he began his coaching
7 career at Connally Junior High School in Elm Mott and later worked
8 at Lamar Consolidated High School in Rosenberg before being named
9 head basketball coach at Edinburg High School in 1983; and

10 WHEREAS, Over the course of two and a half decades at Edinburg
11 High, Mr. Filoteo achieved the most wins in school history,
12 compiling a total of 553 victories, and he led the Bobcats to three
13 quarterfinal, three area, and eight district championships; in
14 addition, he was named the All-Area and All-Valley Coach of the Year
15 on five occasions, and in 2008 he was selected as a State All-Star
16 Coach by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches and was
17 inducted into the Rio Grande Valley Sports Hall of Fame; that same
18 year, he was promoted to athletic director of the Edinburg
19 Consolidated Independent School District, and he ably served in
20 that capacity for seven years, earning the title of Athletic
21 Director of the Year from the City of Palms Coaching Clinic in 2011;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Filoteo began another notable chapter in his
24 career in 2014, when he was appointed the director of the Edinburg

1 Parks and Recreation Department; in that role, he has overseen the
2 department's sports programs, making valuable contributions to the
3 city's quality of life; and

4 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, Mr. Filoteo is blessed with
5 the love and support of his wife, Mary Lou Filoteo, and his two
6 children, Christopher Filoteo and Sabrina Salinas; and

7 WHEREAS, Through his commitment to public service and youth
8 athletics, Joe Filoteo has made a positive difference in the lives
9 of many people in the Edinburg area, and his efforts have earned him
10 the lasting respect and admiration of his fellow residents; now,
11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
13 Legislature hereby commend Joe Filoteo Jr. for his outstanding
14 achievements as a coach and athletic director and for his dedicated
15 service with the Edinburg Parks and Recreation Department and
16 extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it
17 further

18 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
19 prepared for Mr. Filoteo as an expression of high regard by the
20 Texas House of Representatives.