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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Family owned and operated businesses strengthen the 2 economy and culture of Texas communities, and in 2015 the Vera 3 family of Edinburg is celebrating the 45th anniversary of Vera's 4 King-O-Meats; and

5 WHEREAS, During the early years of the 20th century, the family patriarch, Roman Vera Sr., owned a meat market known as La 6 7 Marqueta in the community, and in 1970 two of his sons, Roman Vera Jr. and Carlos Vera, followed in their father's footsteps and 8 opened Vera's King-O-Meats; another brother, Rodolfo Vera, came to 9 work at the shop, and a fourth brother, Antonio Vera, joined the 10 11 staff after completing his service in Vietnam with the U.S. Marine 12 Corps; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, the brothers worked together to build the business; Carlos eventually sold his share to Antonio, who continues to own the enterprise in partnership with Roman; Rodolfo Vera passed away in 2014 after devoting many years of his life to furthering the shop's operations; and

18 WHEREAS, On its first day in 1970, Vera's King-O-Meats earned 19 \$35, and today it generates \$4 million a year in business under the 20 day-to-day management of the family's next generation, Roman's 21 daughter Nadia Vera and Antonio's son Marco Vera; and

22 WHEREAS, Thanks to the skill and determination of its 23 founders, the hard work of its staff, and the loyalty of its many 24 satisfied customers, Vera's King-O-Meats has become a signature

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South Texas enterprise, and the members of the Vera family may take
 great pride in their legacy of success; now, therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas 4 Legislature hereby commemorate the 45th anniversary of Vera's 5 King-O-Meats in Edinburg and extend to the Vera family sincere best 6 wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
prepared for the Vera family as an expression of high regard by the
Texas House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 901 was adopted by the House on March 19, 2015, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House