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RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever treasure their
- 2 memories of retired Bexar County deputy sheriff Ernestine A.
- 3 Ibarra, who died on May 20, 2015, at the age of 64; and
- WHEREAS, Tina Ibarra was born on January 27, 1951, to Ernest
- 5 Garza Sr. and Annie Mae Mora, and she received her education at
- 6 St. James Catholic School and St. Francis Academy in San Antonio;
- 7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, In 1980, Ms. Ibarra found herself divorced with two
- 9 small children to support, and even though she didn't know how to
- 10 drive, she bought a car and left it on the lot for a week until she
- 11 could learn; the following year, she began her exemplary 23-year
- 12 career in law enforcement when she became a deputy with the Bexar
- 13 County Sheriff's Office; she was certified as a county jailer in
- 14 1982 and as a basic peace officer in 1983; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Two years later, Ms. Ibarra was selected over two
- 16 male candidates to become the first female bailiff in Bexar County
- 17 history, and she served in that position until her retirement in
- 18 2004; and
- 19 WHEREAS, A role model to many, Tina Ibarra lived a rich and
- 20 purposeful life, and she leaves behind a record of service that her
- 21 loved ones can remember with pride; now, therefore, be it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
- 23 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Ernestine A. Ibarra
- 24 and extend sincere condolences to the members of her family: to her

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- 1 sister, Sally Garza-Ruiz; to her daughter, Rose Angela Ibarra, and
- 2 her fiancé, Abel Salinas; to her son, Armando Ibarra, and his wife,
- 3 Dr. Jessica Ibarra; to her grandchildren, Ryan, Brianna, and
- 4 Christian Ibarra and Israel and Iliaj Martinez; and to her other
- 5 relatives and many friends; and, be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 7 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
- 8 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Ernestine
- 9 Ibarra.