

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the  
2 passing of Maria Gutierrez Arevalo of Robstown on July 15, 2017, at  
3 the age of 85; and

4           WHEREAS, Maria Arevalo was born in Three Rivers on October  
5 19, 1931; despite lacking a formal education, she helped provide  
6 for her family through her employment as a farm laborer and at a  
7 migrant school day-care center; she also worked for the VISTA  
8 national service program, through which she helped initiate the  
9 first Meals on Wheels program in Robstown; and

10           WHEREAS, Mrs. Arevalo's passion for politics made her a  
11 well-known and well-respected figure in her community; she was  
12 called upon to share her ideas and insights at many a political  
13 rally, forging a reputation as a champion for the underdog as she  
14 strove to improve the quality of life in Robstown; in her free time,  
15 she enjoyed singing, sewing, and chatting with friends and family,  
16 and she was happy to feed any visitor who came through her door; and

17           WHEREAS, Above all else, Mrs. Arevalo cherished her loved  
18 ones; she was a devoted wife to her husband, the late Juan  
19 B. Arevalo, and the proud mother of five sons, Jesus, Abraham,  
20 Francisco, Juan, and Adan, and eight daughters, Viviana, Andrea,  
21 Mary, Elsie, Alice, Linda, Veronica, and Lolly; and

22           WHEREAS, A woman of exceptional wisdom, courage, and warmth,  
23 Maria Arevalo is deeply missed, and she will forever be remembered  
24 with great admiration and affection by all who held her close to

1 their hearts; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
3 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory  
4 of Maria Gutierrez Arevalo and extend heartfelt sympathy to her  
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 Maria  
9 Arevalo.

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H.R. No. 140

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 140 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on August 15, 2017.

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Chief Clerk of the House