

By: Guerra

H.R. No. 488

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Dr. Carlos Cardenas, president of the Texas Medical  
2 Association, and Dr. Jose Cazares, president of the Texas Dental  
3 Association, are rendering exceptional service and proudly  
4 representing the Rio Grande Valley as leaders in the Texas medical  
5 community; and

6           WHEREAS, Hailing from McAllen, Dr. Carlos J. Cardenas has  
7 amassed more than 25 years of experience in medicine and health care  
8 management; he graduated from The University of Texas Medical  
9 Branch and became a board certified internal medicine specialist in  
10 1988; four years later, he cofounded South Texas Gastroenterology  
11 Associates, where he practices today; in 1995, he was among a group  
12 of doctors who joined together to establish Day Surgery at  
13 Renaissance at Edinburg, now one of the largest physician-owned  
14 facilities in the United States; and

15           WHEREAS, Dr. Cardenas served as president of the  
16 Hidalgo-Starr County Medical Society in 2001 and was elected in  
17 2005 to the board of trustees of the Texas Medical Association,  
18 which named him its 2017-2018 president; deeply committed to the  
19 Rio Grande Valley and its next generation of medical professionals,  
20 he recently helped to open a teaching hospital for students at the  
21 new University of Texas Rio Grande Valley School of Medicine; and

22           WHEREAS, A McAllen-based dentist, Dr. Jose "Joey" Cazares is  
23 a graduate of Baylor College of Dentistry; he has operated his own  
24 private dental practice for over 25 years, during which time he has

1 twice been nominated by his peers as Texas Dentist of the Year; and  
2           WHEREAS, Dr. Cazares joined the Texas Dental Association in  
3 1997, and he served on the TDA Board of Directors from 2005 to 2008;  
4 he is a past president of the Rio Grande Valley District Dental  
5 Society, Dentists Who Care, and the Texas and Rio Grande Valley  
6 Academies of General Dentistry; at the national level, he currently  
7 serves on the Academy of General Dentistry's Legislative and  
8 Governmental Affairs Council and has been a delegate to the  
9 American Dental Association; elected as president of TDA for  
10 2017-2018, he is the first member of the RGV District Dental Society  
11 to serve in that role; and

12           WHEREAS, These esteemed Texans have long distinguished  
13 themselves as champions for public health in their community, and  
14 medical professionals across Texas are indeed fortunate to have the  
15 benefit of their strong, visionary leadership; now, therefore, be  
16 it

17           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
18 Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby honor Dr. Carlos Cardenas  
19 and Dr. Jose Cazares for their service as president of the Texas  
20 Medical Association and Texas Dental Association, respectively,  
21 and extend to them sincere best wishes for continued success; and,  
22 be it further

23           RESOLVED, That official copies of this resolution be prepared  
24 for Dr. Cardenas and Dr. Cazares as an expression of high regard by  
25 the Texas House of Representatives.