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H.R. No. 1154

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of Raymondville are mourning the loss of
2 admired civic leader Gilbert Lozano, who passed away on February
3 22, 2017, at the age of 72; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Pablo Lozano Sr. and Maria de Jesus Sierra
5 de la Fuente, Gilbert Lozano was born in Brownsville on July 13,
6 1944; he worked in a grocery store and at a hotel restaurant while
7 attending Edinburg High School; coming of age during the Vietnam
8 War era, he served his country in the United States Army, and he was
9 deployed to Panama during a crisis in the Canal Zone; and

10 WHEREAS, Following his military service, Mr. Lozano worked
11 for General Motors in Michigan; he subsequently returned to the Rio
12 Grande Valley, where he completed his education at Texas Southmost
13 College and embarked on a career as a probation officer in Cameron
14 County; he later transferred to the Willacy County Probation
15 Department and settled in Raymondville; and

16 WHEREAS, Mr. Lozano was employed in probation for 25 years
17 before his retirement; still eager to serve, he became the county's
18 district clerk in 2003; he was determined to end the financial
19 burden caused by an inefficient system of rotating state district
20 judges in the county, and with the help of his state senator, he
21 succeeded in having jurisdiction consolidated under a single court;
22 in addition, he benefited his fellow citizens as a member of the
23 Lions Club, VFW Post No. 6719, and American Legion Post No. 390;
24 and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Lozano and his first wife, Anna Lopez, were
2 blessed with five children, David, Gilbert, Elizabeth, Cristine,
3 and Justin; in 1984, he wed the former Viola Cavazos, and they
4 shared a quarter century of marriage; he loved to visit his children
5 in Michigan, and he was devoted to his 10 grandchildren, his 10
6 step-grandchildren, and his great-grandchild; genial and
7 good-hearted, he showed compassion through many kind acts, and he
8 enjoyed taking friends, colleagues, and acquaintances out fishing
9 on his boat; and

10 WHEREAS, Gilbert Lozano made a meaningful difference in the
11 lives of his loved ones and fellow citizens alike, and his
12 contributions will be fondly remembered for years to come; now,
13 therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
15 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Gilbert Lozano and
16 extend sincere sympathy to his loved ones; and, be it further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
19 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Gilbert
20 Lozano.