

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, From the founding of our country onward, generations
2 of immigrants have come to the United States in hopes of realizing
3 the promise of the American dream; and

4 WHEREAS, In 2015, immigrants of all statuses accounted for
5 20.6 percent of the Texas labor force; many of those individuals
6 have greatly benefited the state economy as small business owners
7 and entrepreneurs--9.4 percent of immigrants in Texas are
8 self-employed, compared to just 5.8 percent of the native-born
9 population--while more still have played an essential role in a
10 wide range of industries, especially education, health care, and
11 social-assistance services; and

12 WHEREAS, Immigrants residing in Texas earned an estimated
13 \$119 billion in wage, salary, and self-employment income in 2015,
14 and undocumented immigrants in the state pay approximately \$1.5
15 billion in state and local taxes each year; and

16 WHEREAS, A dynamic and diverse workforce is vital to the
17 prosperity of the Lone Star State, and it is indeed fitting that
18 immigrants be recognized for their innumerable contributions to the
19 Texas economy; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
21 Legislature hereby honor the economic contributions made by
22 immigrants to the Lone Star State.

Romero, Jr.

Straus	Goldman	Oliverson
Allen	Gonzales of Williamson	Ortega
Alonzo	González of El Paso	Paddie
Alvarado	Gooden	Parker
Anchia	Guerra	Paul
Anderson of Dallas	Guillen	Perez
Anderson of McLennan	Gutierrez	Phelan
Arévalo	Hefner	Phillips
Ashby	Hernandez	Pickett
Bailes	Herrero	Price
Bell	Hinojosa	Raney
Bernal	Holland	Raymond
Biedermann	Howard	Reynolds
Blanco	Huberty	Rinaldi
Bohac	Hunter	Roberts
Bonnen of Brazoria	Isaac	Rodriguez of Bexar
Bonnen of Galveston	Israel	Rodriguez of Travis
Burkett	Johnson of Dallas	Romero, Jr.
Burns	Johnson of Harris	Rose
Burrows	Kacal	Sanford
Button	Keough	Schaefer
Cain	King of Hemphill	Schofield
Canales	King of Parker	Schubert
Capriglione	King of Uvalde	Shaheen
Clardy	Klick	Sheffield
Coleman	Koop	Shine
Collier	Krause	Simmons
Cook	Kuempel	Smithee
Cortez	Lambert	Springer
Cosper	Landgraf	Stephenson
Craddick	Lang	Stickland
Cyrier	Larson	Stucky
Dale	Laubenberg	Swanson
Darby	Leach	Thierry
Davis of Dallas	Longoria	Thompson of Brazoria
Davis of Harris	Lozano	Thompson of Harris
Dean	Lucio III	Tinderholt
Deshotel	Martinez	Turner
Dukes	Metcalf	Uresti
Dutton	Meyer	VanDeaver
Elkins	Miller	Villalba
Faircloth	Minjarez	Vo
Fallon	Moody	Walle
Farrar	Morrison	White
Flynn	Muñoz, Jr.	Wilson
Frank	Murphy	Workman
Frullo	Murr	Wray
Geren	Neave	Wu
Gervin-Hawkins	Nevárez	Zedler
Giddings	Oliveira	Zerwas

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1839 was adopted by the House on May 1, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House