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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Jose Perez of the Pharr Fire Department was named
Firefighter of the Year by the Rio Grande Valley Firefighter's and
Fire Marshals' Association in April 2017; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the organization recognizes a firefighter who has demonstrated exceptional professional knowledge, creativity and innovation, bravery and heroism, and community involvement; and

WHEREAS, A former U.S. Marine, Mr. Perez has served as a 8 9 firefighter in the Pharr Fire Department for eight years; in addition to performing his regular duties, he has helped make 10 11 physical fitness training more enjoyable for his fellow 12 firefighters by incorporating boxing exercises into the program; he also volunteers as a youth boxing coach for the Pharr Police 13 14 Athletic League, and he has donated his time and expertise as a certified electrician to bring a fire victim's home into code 15 16 compliance; and

WHEREAS, Jose Perez has earned the respect and admiration of his peers through his commitment to excellence and his dedication to safeguarding the public, and he is indeed deserving of this most recent honor; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas Legislature hereby congratulate Jose Perez on being named Firefighter of the Year by the Rio Grande Valley Firefighter's and Fire Marshals' Association and extend to him sincere best wishes

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1 for the future; and, be it further

2 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 3 prepared for Mr. Perez as an expression of high regard by the Texas 4 House of Representatives.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1941 was adopted by the House on May 12, 2017, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House