By: Guillen H.R. No. 2593

RESOLUTION

- 1 WHEREAS, Family and friends will forever cherish their
- 2 memories of Rubin S. Leal of Poteet, who died on January 22, 2017,
- 3 at the age of 86; and
- WHEREAS, Rubin Leal was born in Poteet on October 27, 1930, to
- 5 Sifredo Leal and Rugelia Sanchez, and he grew up with two brothers,
- 6 Gilbert and Oscar, and three sisters, Emma, Estella, and Josie; he
- 7 was the loving father of three children, Denise, Diana, and Donnie,
- 8 and his family later grew to include 6 grandchildren and 11
- 9 great-grandchildren; and
- 10 WHEREAS, A U.S. Army veteran, Mr. Leal served his nation
- 11 during the Korean War; after his honorable discharge in 1953, he
- 12 joined the Army Reserve, which he served for six years; in April
- 13 2014, he was presented with the Korean Service Medal with three
- 14 Bronze Stars and the Korean War Service Medal by U.S. Congressman
- 15 Henry Cuellar at a ceremony in Poteet; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Mr. Leal was a life member of the Veterans of
- 17 Foreign Wars Post No. 6970 in Poteet; in his leisure time, he
- 18 enjoyed hunting and fishing, and he took special delight in the time
- 19 he spent with his grandchildren; and
- WHEREAS, Deeply dedicated to his family and his country,
- 21 Rubin Leal earned the admiration and affection of all who were
- 22 privileged to know him, and he will always hold a treasured place in
- 23 the hearts of his loved ones; now, therefore, be it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas

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- 1 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Rubin S. Leal and
- 2 extend heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family: to his
- 3 daughters, Denise Sanchez and Diana Maldonado; to his
- 4 grandchildren, Charles A. Sanchez and his wife, Jaclyn, Jay
- 5 Sanchez, Celeste Leal, Lisa Torres and her husband, Carlos, Michael
- 6 Mendez, and Nina Rodriguez and her husband, Rick; to his sister,
- 7 Josie Martinez; to his son-in-law, Charles E. Sanchez; to his
- 8 sister-in-law, Alicia Leal; to his 11 great-grandchildren; and to
- 9 his other relatives and friends; and, be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
- 11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
- 12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Rubin Leal.