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## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to
a close with the passing of the Honorable Roberto Balderas of Corpus
Christi on July 11, 2018, at the age of 62; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Balderas was born in Corpus Christi on August 7, 1955, to Juan and Guadalupe Balderas, and he grew up with the companionship of six siblings, Eddie, Ruben, Virginia, Michael, Johnny, and Sylvia; he graduated from Moody High School in 1974, and he went on to attend the Police Academy at Del Mar College; and

9 WHEREAS, Joining the Nueces County Sheriff's Office in 1975, 10 Mr. Balderas began his tenure as a corrections officer and held the 11 rank of captain upon his departure in 2002; in 2003, he was elected 12 as Nueces County justice of the peace for Precinct 1, Place 3, and 13 he was later appointed presiding judge for the 2005-2007 term; and

14 WHEREAS, Highly engaged in his community, Judge Balderas 15 cofounded the Toy Bowl, which raises money for underprivileged 16 youth and nonprofit organizations; moreover, he was actively 17 involved with LULAC, the Justice of the Peace and Constables 18 Association, and the Corpus Christi Neighborhood Center; and

WHEREAS, Judge Balderas and his first wife, Maria Elena Ramos Balderas, shared a rewarding union of more than three decades before her death in 2009; together, they raised four children, Melissa, Robert, Rene, and Randy; fortunate enough to find love again, Judge Balderas spent the final years of his life with his second wife, Ann Balderas, and he also experienced the joy of

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1 welcoming into his family many grandchildren; and

2 WHEREAS, An engaged citizen, a devoted family man, and an 3 admired civic leader, Roberto Balderas leaves behind a legacy of 4 good works that will long be remembered by the residents of Nueces 5 County; now, therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas 7 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of the Honorable Roberto 8 Balderas and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn his 9 passing; 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 Roberto 13 Balderas.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1208 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 26, 2019.

Chief Clerk of the House