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H.R. No. 1839

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A full and rewarding life dedicated to his family,  
2 community, and country drew to a close with the passing of Juan  
3 Erasmo Saenz of Rio Grande City on January 12, 2019, at the age of  
4 85; and

5           WHEREAS, Juan Erasmo Saenz was born on June 24, 1933, in Starr  
6 County to Santiago and Fidela Alaniz Saenz, and he grew up in a  
7 large family with the companionship of 15 brothers and sisters; he  
8 moved to Rio Grande City when he was 14 years old and attended Rio  
9 Grande City High School; while in his junior year, he enlisted in  
10 the United States Army, and he rendered honorable service to his  
11 country; returning home, he re-enrolled in high school, and he went  
12 on to continue his studies at Pan American College; and

13           WHEREAS, After teaching physical education at La Union and La  
14 Grulla schools for two years, Mr. Saenz pursued a second career  
15 working for the USDA at Moore Air Field in the agency's Screwworm  
16 Eradication Program; a friend later persuaded him to run as a  
17 candidate for the district clerk's office, and he served in that  
18 role with tremendous dedication for more than three decades, until  
19 his retirement at age 74; and

20           WHEREAS, Mr. Saenz shared 58 years of marriage with the love  
21 of his life, Alicia Ortiz Saenz, and he took great pride in their  
22 children, Juan, Melissa, Beatriz, Xavier, and Hiram; Mr. Saenz was  
23 deeply devoted to his family, and he was also a caring friend to  
24 many; in addition, he found much comfort and inspiration in his

1 faith; and

2 WHEREAS, Although Juan Erasmo Saenz is deeply missed,  
3 memories of this esteemed gentleman will forever be treasured by  
4 all those whose lives he touched; now, therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas  
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Juan Erasmo Saenz  
7 and extend sincere sympathy to the members of his family: to his  
8 wife, Alicia Ortiz Saenz; to his children, Juan Erasmo Saenz Jr. and  
9 his wife, Nelda, Melissa Yvette Ramirez and her husband, Anthony,  
10 Beatriz Illeana Salazar and her husband, Martin, Xavier Roberto  
11 Saenz and his wife, Sandra, and Hiram Saenz and his wife, Magdalena;  
12 to his brother, Arnoldo Saenz; to his 13 grandchildren and 11  
13 great-grandchildren; and to his other relatives and friends; and,  
14 be it further

15 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
16 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
17 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Juan Erasmo  
18 Saenz.