

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 580

In Memory
of
Antonio Ortiz

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Brownsville in mourning the loss of Antonio Ortiz, who died September 12, 2018, at the age of 82; and

WHEREAS, Antonio Ortiz was a beloved citizen, and he inspired those who knew him through his wisdom, his integrity, and his unflinching devotion to the students and educators of the Brownsville Independent School District; and

WHEREAS, A respected educational administrator, Antonio was the first principal of Gladys Porter High School, where he was widely admired for his calming presence and his insightful approach to problem solving; he epitomized a generation of educators who made the Brownsville Independent School District a truly special educational system, and his trusted mentorship made a difference in the lives of countless students and teachers; and

WHEREAS, Antonio shared a fulfilling life with his cherished wife, Virginia Ortiz; he was a doting father to his seven children, and his two grandchildren were a source of great pride and joy; and

WHEREAS, A man of dignity, kindness, and strength, Antonio Ortiz was a cherished friend to many, and his many contributions to the Brownsville community will not be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Antonio Ortiz; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Antonio Ortiz.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 15, 2019, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate