

By: Guillen

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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Over the course of their lives, Lucila and Rodolfo
2 Cantu shared an enduring love story, and their family is
3 celebrating the couple's legacy as they reflect on the passing of
4 Mrs. Cantu on May 15, 2019, at the age of 72, and on the passing of
5 Mr. Cantu on September 14, 2016, at the age of 71; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Cantu enjoyed a long and rewarding
7 marriage that spanned five decades; they devotedly raised three
8 sons, Robert, Richard, and Rudy, and their cherished family later
9 grew to include numerous grandchildren and a great-grandson; and

10 WHEREAS, The son of Pedro and Theresa Cantu, Roy Cantu was
11 born in Los Fresnos on March 9, 1945, and he grew up with four
12 brothers, Hector, Arturo, Oscar, and Joel; he graduated from Los
13 Fresnos High School in 1964 and went on to serve in the U.S. Air
14 Force, where he attained the rank of staff sergeant before
15 receiving an honorable discharge in 1969; he attended Texas
16 Southmost College in Brownsville, Miami Dade Junior College, Texas
17 A&I University, and Pan American University; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Cantu began his career at the Bank of South
19 Texas in Alice and subsequently held a number of leadership
20 positions with First National Bank in Rio Grande City,
21 International Bank of Commerce, and Lone Star National Bank; he
22 then worked for the City of McAllen, where he served as director of
23 the EB5 program for the McAllen Economic Development Corporation,
24 and in his final years, he was employed with Best Health Home Care

1 Company Incorporated; and

2 WHEREAS, The former Lucy Silva was born in Salineno on
3 September 15, 1946, to Juan and Teresa Silva, and she grew up with
4 the companionship of three siblings, Eloy, Lilia, and Idalia; after
5 graduating from McAllen High School in 1965, she attended Texas A&I
6 University and Pan American University; she went on to work for more
7 than 15 years at her son's firm, the Law Office of Richard A. Cantu,
8 P.C.; and

9 WHEREAS, The couple were also deeply involved in their
10 community; Mr. Cantu was a former president of the Rio Grande City
11 Rotary Club, the Immaculate Conception Parent-Teacher
12 Organization, and the Starr County Youth Fair Association, as well
13 as a member of the Rio Grande City Chamber of Commerce and Knights
14 of Columbus; Mrs. Cantu served in the Florence J. Scott Study Club,
15 Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, Red Hatter's Club, Bunco Club, and several
16 parent-teacher organizations; together, they belonged to the Lions
17 Club of Alice, the International Order of Alhambra, and Club de
18 Amistad; and

19 WHEREAS, Roy and Lucy Cantu set an inspiring example through
20 their great devotion to each other and to their family, and they
21 will forever hold a special place in the hearts of all those who
22 held them dear; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
24 Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory
25 of Lucila and Rodolfo Cantu and extend heartfelt sympathy to their
26 loved ones; and, be it further

27 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be

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1 prepared for their family and that when the Texas House of
2 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Roy and
3 Lucy Cantu.