RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, El Paso County Judge Ricardo A. Samaniego has demonstrated an admirable commitment to serving his fellow Texans during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, This devoted public official has worked tirelessly to safeguard the health of area residents while ensuring that they continue to receive essential public services; although the pandemic has placed immense burdens on the local community, Judge Samaniego has risen to this unprecedented challenge, and his efforts have been instrumental in helping El Paso County navigate the crisis; and

WHEREAS, A native of El Paso, Ricardo Samaniego was sworn in as county judge on January 1, 2019; before taking public office, he worked as a county juvenile probation officer, an interim director for the El Paso County Housing Authority, and as a clinical therapist in El Paso and New Mexico; he also has extensive experience in the private sector, including operating his own businesses; he holds master's degrees in educational psychology, bilingual bicultural education, and international economics and public policy; and

WHEREAS, Ricardo Samaniego's decisive leadership has greatly benefited the citizens of El Paso County during a time of heightened danger and uncertainty, and he is truly deserving of special recognition for his impressive achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby commend El Paso County Judge Ricardo A. Samaniego for his service during the COVID-19 pandemic and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued success in his important work; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Judge Samaniego as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.