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By:  Canales H.R. No. 342

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Family and friends are mourning the loss of Gilberto R. Garza of Edinburg, who passed away on February 14, 2021, at the age of 65; and

WHEREAS, Gilbert Garza was the son of Gilberto and Maria Emma Garza; during his childhood, he spent a lot of time with his grandparents in La Reforma, and he always looked after his four younger siblings, Richard, Gabriel, Larry, and Sonia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Garza enjoyed a rewarding career with ExxonMobil that spanned 37 years until his retirement in 2011; he also operated Double G Farms, which he established with his father, and he took great pride in raising Santa Gertrudis cattle that were sold throughout the country; he gave generously of his time and talents to the Hidalgo County 4-H Foundation and the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show; and

WHEREAS, Valuing family above all else, Mr. Garza shared nearly four decades with his wife, Nilda, and he was a devoted father to his children, Cynthia and Gilbert; with the passing years, he had the privilege of welcoming three grandchildren, Sophia, Sebastian, and Andres, into the family; he loved surprising his wife with trips to Las Vegas, and in his later years, he started out each day by meeting friends for coffee at Anita's Café; strong in his faith, he was a valued member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, Admired for his warmth, kindness, and loyalty, Gilberto Garza touched countless lives during his journey on this earth, and those fortunate enough to have known him will forever hold him close in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Gilberto R. Garza and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his wife, Nilda Garza; to his daughter, Cynthia Garza Reyes, and her husband, Gabriel; to his son, Gilbert R. Garza Jr., and his wife, Laura; to his grandchildren, Sophia Reyes, Sebastian Garza, and Andres Reyes; to his mother, Maria Emma Garza; to his siblings, Richard A. Garza and his wife, Sylvia, Gabriel Homer Garza and his wife, Cyndi, Larry Garza and his wife, Nellie, and Sonia Garza Martinez and her husband, Ricky; and to his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Gilberto Garza.