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RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the sorrow felt by 2 the family, friends, and colleagues of Officer Edelmiro Garza Jr. 3 of the McAllen Police Department, who was killed in the line of duty 4 on July 11, 2020, at the age of 45; and

5 WHEREAS, Born to Edelmiro and Soledad Garza in McAllen, Eddie 6 Garza grew up sharing in the companionship of his four sisters, 7 Gloria, Mariella, Patricia, and Dulce; after graduating from 8 McAllen High School, he enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps and served 9 as a military police officer for four years; he continued his law 10 enforcement career with the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office; and

11 WHEREAS, In 2005, Officer Garza returned to McAllen, where he 12 later joined the police department as a dispatcher, a position he 13 held for six years; he then transferred to the McAllen Police 14 Academy and began his nine-year tenure as a law enforcement 15 officer; while employed by the McAllen PD, he also completed his 16 bachelor's and master's degrees; and

WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Officer Garza drew strength from the rewarding marriage he shared with his wife, Brenda, and he took great pride in his children, Brianna, Ethan, Lucia, Andrea, Celeste, Edelmiro, Edel, and Alexandra, and his grandchild, Lucas; and

WHEREAS, Eddie Garza was a respected peace officer and a devoted family man, and he leaves behind a legacy that will continue to inspire all those who knew and loved him; now, therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas 2 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Officer Edelmiro 3 Garza Jr. and extend sincere condolences to all who mourn his 4 passing; and, be it further

5 RESOLVED, That an official copy of the resolution be prepared 6 for his family and that when the Texas House of Representatives 7 adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Eddie Garza.

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 372 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on March 25, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House