

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to  
2 a close with the passing of John A. Lopez of Mission on July 20,  
3 2020, at the age of 65; and

4           WHEREAS, A native of Mission, Johnny Lopez was born to  
5 Fernando and Sila Lopez on October 20, 1954, and he grew up with the  
6 companionship of two older brothers; following his graduation from  
7 Mission High School in 1972, he continued his education at The  
8 University of Texas-Pan American, where he earned a bachelor's  
9 degree in kinesiology and was a member of Phi Kappa Theta  
10 fraternity; and

11           WHEREAS, Mr. Lopez initially worked as a teacher and coach at  
12 Brewster School in the Edinburg Consolidated Independent School  
13 District; in 1978, he transitioned to a career in law enforcement  
14 and joined the U.S. Border Patrol, serving at stations in  
15 Harlingen, Las Cruces, New Mexico, and Mercedes/Weslaco; he retired  
16 in 2004 at the rank of patrol agent in charge, after a distinguished  
17 tenure of 27 years; and

18           WHEREAS, Engaged in his community, Mr. Lopez served on the  
19 City of Mission Housing Committee and as a board member for the  
20 Shary Municipal Golf Course; moreover, he was a candidate for the  
21 Mission City Council Place 2 seat at the time of his death; and

22           WHEREAS, In all his endeavors, Mr. Lopez benefited from the  
23 love and support of his wife, Otila, with whom he shared a rewarding  
24 marriage that spanned more than four decades; he was the proud

1 father of three children, John, Jeannette, and Jaclyn, and he was  
2 further blessed with two grandchildren, Joslyn and Khloe; a devoted  
3 family man, he coached his children's sports teams when they were  
4 young, and he went on to mentor his granddaughters in golf; in his  
5 leisure hours, he enjoyed hunting; and

6 WHEREAS, While his loss is difficult to bear, Johnny Lopez  
7 leaves behind numerous friends and loved ones whose lives are far  
8 richer for having known him, and he will always hold a treasured  
9 place in their hearts; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
11 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of John A. Lopez and  
12 extend deepest condolences to all who mourn his passing; and, be it  
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
15 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
16 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Johnny  
17 Lopez.

Muñoz, Jr.

H.R. No. 466

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 466 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 9, 2021.

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Chief Clerk of the House