

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A full and generous life drew to a close with the
2 passing of Gilberto Trejo of Rio Grande City on April 23, 2020, at
3 the age of 88; and

4 WHEREAS, The son of Cosme Trejo and Rosenda Molina, Gilberto
5 Trejo was born in Mission on June 18, 1931; he lost his parents at an
6 early age and was raised by his grandmother, Beatriz Garza, and his
7 uncle, Viterbo Molina; coming of age during the Korean War, he
8 enlisted in the U.S. Army, and near the end of the conflict, he and
9 his platoon were held captive for several months; he subsequently
10 endured a long convalescence in the hospital; highly decorated for
11 his bravery, he attained the rank of master sergeant; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Trejo went on to work as a building contractor
13 for two decades, and after completing his bachelor's degree in
14 mathematics at Texas A&M University, he taught in the Rio Grande
15 City Consolidated Independent School District for 28 years; deeply
16 patriotic, he was commander of local Disabled American Veterans and
17 Veterans of Foreign War posts and led hundreds of burial ceremonies
18 for Starr County veterans; in 2013, the Korean War Marker located at
19 the county courthouse annex was dedicated to him, honoring his
20 heroism and service; and

21 WHEREAS, In 1955, Mr. Trejo married the former Ernestina
22 Hernandez, and they raised six children, Gilberto, Evangelina,
23 Adalberto, Baudilia, Heberto, and Humberto; eventually, their
24 treasured family grew to include 16 grandchildren and 16

1 great-grandchildren; Mr. Trejo provided a beautiful soundtrack for
2 all their lives, playing guitar and singing Latin ballads in his
3 free time; in retirement, he enjoyed applying his math skills to the
4 lottery and attending senior center activities with his wife; and

5 WHEREAS, Gilberto Trejo was a brave soldier, a caring husband
6 and father, and a leader in his community, and the contributions he
7 made in each of these roles will long inspire all those who were
8 fortunate enough to know him; now, therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas
10 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Gilberto Trejo and
11 extend sincere condolences to his loved ones; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 1961

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1961 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 31, 2021.

Chief Clerk of the House