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H.R. No. 2041

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Residents of the Roma community lost a beloved  
2 friend and neighbor with the passing of Onofre Baldemar Rodriguez  
3 on January 20, 2021, at the age of 72; and

4 WHEREAS, A native of Roma, Onofre Rodriguez was born on April  
5 22, 1948, to Jose and Aurora Garza Rodriguez; he was raised in a  
6 large family with 11 siblings, Alicia, Elva, Juan, Fernando,  
7 Lupita, Maria, Jose, Claudia, Roel, Norma, and Hector, and he grew  
8 to love the outdoors from an early age; known for his skill with  
9 horses, he earned a reputation as a true Starr County *vaquero*; and

10 WHEREAS, In his younger years, Mr. Rodriguez served the  
11 community in various law enforcement capacities, including as  
12 Roma's police chief from 1973 to 1975; he was later employed with  
13 the USDA as a tick inspector from 1978 to 1998, which provided him  
14 the opportunity to work for the benefit of the ranching community;  
15 he was always willing to lend an ear or a helping hand to anyone in  
16 need, and he was held in high regard around town for his honesty,  
17 integrity, and wisdom; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Rodriguez was blessed with the love and support  
19 of his wife of 47 years, Susanna Salazar Rodriguez; the couple  
20 raised four daughters, Veronica, Annette, Monica, and Georginna,  
21 and he also knew the joy of becoming a grandfather to numerous  
22 grandchildren; he endeared himself to many friends, and he  
23 especially treasured the companionship of his lifelong best friend,  
24 Heriberto Garcia; and

1           WHEREAS, Although Onofre Rodriguez will be deeply missed by  
2 all who were privileged to know him, they will forever treasure  
3 their memories of his kind, generous nature and his great devotion  
4 to his family and community; now, therefore, be it

5           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 87th Texas  
6 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the life of Onofre Baldemar  
7 Rodriguez and extend sincere sympathy to his loved ones; and, be it  
8 further

9           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
10 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
11 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Onofre  
12 Baldemar Rodriguez.