SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 160

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Cuate Santos, who is retiring from the *Laredo Morning Times* after four decades of outstanding service as a photographer; and

WHEREAS, Beloved for his talent and his friendly, soft-spoken nature, this native Laredoan built a fulfilling career as a trusted artistic voice for his hometown community; and

WHEREAS, Cuate Santos graduated from Martin High School and began working as a photographer for Laredo Junior College's *McIntosh Express*; he never attended a formal photography class, yet his keen eye for lighting and composition have helped him to capture subjects in stunning detail and with an artistry that has earned him international acclaim; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Santos' love for his community is reflected in the countless moving images he has created through his lens, and his photographs shine with unique beauty and a defining spirit; his skill and artistry are evident through his vivid photographs of nature, international figures, national sporting events, and hometown citizens; his work has been featured in distinguished publications around the world; and

WHEREAS, Cuate Santos is a cherished citizen and a legendary figure in the Laredo community; his lasting contributions as a photojournalist will shed light on the city's storied history and culture for generations to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby honor Cuate Santos as a treasured Texas photojournalist, artist, and historian and commend him on his celebrated career at the *Laredo Morning Times*; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared in his honor.

Zaffirini

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 18, 2021.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate