

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 493

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to pay tribute to the Rivas family of Mission for their legacy of service in the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, Five of the eight children of Dario Rivas Sr. and Catalina Blanco Rivas served the nation with distinction as members of the United States Marine Corps between 1953 and 1984; and

WHEREAS, The late Private Rebecca Rivas served with the Women's Marine Headquarters during the Korean War era and was stationed at Camp Pendleton in California; and

WHEREAS, The late Sergeant Jose Rivas served in the United States Marine Corps from 1963 to 1967 and was a member of the 1st Marine Air Wing stationed in Da Nang, Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Dario Rivas Jr. served from 1964 to 1968 with the 1st and 3rd Marine Shore Party Battalion in Vietnam; he qualified as an expert rifleman for three consecutive years, and he was a part of the first division of marine corps troops to arrive in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Ruben Rivas served with the 3rd Marine Recon Battalion in 1968 and 1969 in Vietnam's Quang Tri Province, and he was wounded in action when his squad was ambushed by Vietnamese troops; and

WHEREAS, Lance Corporal Roberto Rivas served from 1980 to 1984 with the Marine Field Service Support Group at Camp Pendleton and in South Korea; his decorations include the Good Conduct Medal, and his three sons have all served in the United States military; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby commend the members of the Rivas family on their selfless military service and their outstanding commitment to preserving and defending our nation's democratic ideals; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the family as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Hinojosa

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 26, 2021.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate