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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, A rich and purposeful life drew to a close with the
2 passing of Dr. Alma Sánchez Pérez of San Angelo on September 11,
3 2023, at the age of 78; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Sonora on January 8, 1945, the former Alma
5 Sánchez was the eldest child of Alfredo and Marcelina Sánchez;
6 after graduating from Sonora High School in 1963, she earned a
7 degree from Angelo State College in 1967; shortly thereafter, she
8 married Louis Pérez Jr. and moved to Lubbock to begin her career as
9 a teacher; the couple relocated to San Angelo in 1974, and they
10 shared in the joy of raising three children, Louie, Marisol, and
11 Stephanie; in her later years, she delighted in welcoming into her
12 family seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and

13 WHEREAS, A lifelong activist, Dr. Pérez joined the American
14 GI Forum as a student and went on to become an active member of
15 LULAC; she taught naturalization and English classes to many in her
16 community, and she encouraged Mexican Americans to participate in
17 civic life and to exercise their right to vote; in addition, she
18 served as the director for the religious education program at
19 St. Joseph Catholic Church and volunteered her time on several
20 civic advisory boards in the San Angelo community; she and her
21 husband also had the distinction of being among the founding owners
22 of La Unica Broadcasting, which was established in 1985; and

23 WHEREAS, Dr. Pérez was a firm believer in education, which
24 led her to pursue and complete a Ph.D. at The University of Texas at

1 Austin in 2007, when she was 62 years old; her final teaching
2 position was a graduate distance learning course at the University
3 of Southern California, and she demonstrated her intellectual
4 curiosity as an avid reader until the date of her passing; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Alma Sánchez Pérez inspired those around her
6 with her unwavering commitment to her ideals and her determination
7 to better the lives of others, and she leaves behind a legacy that
8 will forever be cherished by those she leaves behind; now,
9 therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 88th Texas
11 Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory
12 of Dr. Alma Sánchez Pérez and extend sincere sympathy to the
13 members of her family: to her children, Louie Pérez and his wife,
14 Amy, Marisol Pérez and her husband, David Armendáriz, and Stephanie
15 Minjarez and her husband, Jesse Rene; to her grandchildren, Jordan
16 Rene Minjarez and his wife, Yvonne, Joshua and Jonah Minjarez,
17 Karina and Andrew Pérez, and Xiména and Xótchitl Armendáriz; to her
18 great-grandchildren, Anali Montserrat and Amiyah Minjarez; and to
19 her other relatives and many dear friends; and, be it further

20 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
21 prepared for her family and that when the Texas House of
22 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Dr. Alma
23 Sánchez Pérez.