

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, All who shared in the life of Louis Parada Escalante
2 were deeply saddened by his death on March 20, 2025, at the age of
3 86; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in San Antonio on November 20, 1938, Louis
5 Escalante was the son of Sebastian Escalante and Emilia Parada; he
6 was best known as a founding member and lead singer of the popular
7 Chicano soul group the Royal Jesters; and

8 WHEREAS, Formed on the west side of Alamo City in 1958, the
9 Royal Jesters fused rock and roll with traditional Mexican American
10 harmonies and performed in such local venues as Patio Andaluz, La
11 Salle, Plaza Juarez, and Municipal Auditorium; Mr. Escalante lent
12 his smooth and soulful vocals to hits like "My Angel of Love," "We
13 Go Together," and "Love Me"; and

14 WHEREAS, Above all else, Mr. Escalante was deeply devoted to
15 his family; he shared a rewarding marriage with his wife, Dora
16 Buentello Escalante, until her passing, and he took great pride in
17 his three children, Luis, Mike, and Lizette, and his seven
18 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and

19 WHEREAS, Louis Escalante made vital contributions to Tejano
20 music through his singular talent, and his kindness, generosity,
21 and strength of character will be remembered by all who were
22 privileged to know him; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 89th Texas
24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Louis Parada

1 Escalante and extend profound condolences to the members of his
2 family: to his sons, Luis Escalante Jr. and his wife, Laura Linda,
3 and Mike Escalante and his wife, Fawn; to his daughter, Lizette
4 Pleasanton; to his grandchildren, Gianna Sky Solares, Lindsay
5 Denise Escalante, Zoe Kaitlyn Escalante, Marissa Chapa and her
6 husband, Joseph, Marc Anthony Escalante, Evon Pleasanton, and
7 Remington Pleasanton; to his great-grandchildren, Mateo, Marcelo,
8 and Maciel Chapa; to his brother, Richard E. Sifuentes; to his
9 sisters, Janie Martinez and Olga Villanueva; and to his other
10 relatives and friends and his many fans; and, be it further

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

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H.R. No. 681

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 681 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on April 9, 2025.

Chief Clerk of the House