



RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Ricardo A. Barrera has effectively served Texas as an activist and political consultant on local, state, and federal issues; and

WHEREAS, Born and raised in Texas, Mr. Barrera lost his mother at the age of two when she became a victim of violent crime and he also lost his father at an early age and was adopted by relatives; he graduated magna cum laude from Texas A&M University-Kingsville with a degree in political science after serving as student body president of his university for two terms, as member of the Texas A&M University System Chancellor's Student Advisory Board for two terms, and as founder and advisor of the University Crime Stoppers Unit; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure as student body president, this talented young Texas leader contributed greatly to higher education, and his efforts culminated in placement on the President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll and national distinction for Texas A&M University-Kingsville; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Barrera successfully navigated his way to the Texas Tech School of Law, where he went on to become a prominent leader and competitor in nearly every one of his endeavors, including volunteering in the nonprofit sector and through church-based programs, championing human rights for children and the elderly, and participating with the Citizens Commission on Human Rights; and

WHEREAS, On the federal level, Mr. Barrera served as a valuable consultant to Congressman Solomon P. Ortiz in combating area military base closures and with higher education issues and community needs; and

WHEREAS, On the state level, Mr. Barrera assisted members of the Texas Legislature with environmental concerns, higher education issues, and human rights issues; and

WHEREAS, Ricardo Barrera is an outstanding leader, and he merits special recognition for his contributions to his community and state; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 80th Texas Legislature hereby honor Ricardo A. Barrera for his service to the State of Texas and extend to him best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be prepared for Mr. Barrera as an expression of high regard by the Texas House of Representatives.