## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The State of Texas has suffered an immeasurable loss with the tragic death of the Honorable Joe E. Moreno of Denver Harbor on May 6, 2005, at the age of 40; and

WHEREAS, Born in Houston on August 12, 1964, Representative Moreno graduated from St. Thomas High School and attended both the University of St. Thomas and Texas Southern University; and

WHEREAS, His competence, insight, and genuine interest in making a positive difference in the state earned him a position as a legislative aide to former State Representative Al Luna, and he went on to gain further valuable experience in the office of State Representative Jessica Farrar as her chief of staff; and

WHEREAS, Representative Moreno served as Democratic chair and election judge of Harris County Precinct No. 62 and first won election to the Texas House of Representatives in November 1998; since that time he served the residents of House District 143 with dedication and commitment during five legislative sessions, most recently contributing his knowledge and expertise to the House Committee on Border and International Affairs and the House Committee on Juvenile Justice and Family Issues; and

WHEREAS, A devoted supporter of his hometown, Representative Moreno committed himself to making his district a better place in which to live, work, and raise a family; he worked to reduce air pollution and to bolster the local economy by addressing important issues involving the Port of Houston; moreover, he worked on

- 1 legislation to help protect the most vulnerable residents of the
- 2 Lone Star State, making it possible for abused children to receive
- 3 protection in times of need; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Held in high esteem by his peers, Representative
- 5 Moreno was a former chair of the Harris County Delegation; he was
- 6 further acknowledged for his contributions with a host of
- 7 accolades, including the Outstanding Legislator Award from the
- 8 Coalition of Texans with Disabilities, the Legislative Hero award
- 9 from the Harris County Democrats, and the Houston Gulf Coast
- 10 Chapter of the Labor Council for Latin American Advancement award;
- 11 he also earned recognition as the 2003 Legislator of the Year from
- 12 the Justice of the Peace and Constables Association; and
- WHEREAS, In addition to his political involvement, this
- 14 notable community leader was active in Resurrection Catholic
- 15 Church, the Harris County Tejano Democrats, and LULAC Council No.
- 16 60; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Joe Moreno set an outstanding example of citizenship
- and service to others throughout his time on this earth, and though
- 19 his friendship and leadership will be greatly missed, he will be
- 20 remembered with great affection and admiration for years to come;
- 21 now, therefore, be it
- 22 RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas
- 23 hereby honor the life of Joe E. Moreno and extend deepest sympathy
- 24 to the members of his family: to his parents, Alice and Frank
- 25 Moreno; to his brother, Mario Moreno and his wife, Margot; to his
- 26 sister, Sarah Blancett; to his nephews, Drake, Andrew, Matthew, and
- 27 Taylor; to his grandmother, Olivia Moreno; and to all those who

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- 2 brother, and friend; and, be it further
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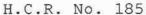
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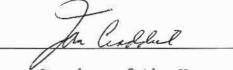
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President of the Senate



Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 185 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 9, 2005.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 185 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Senate on May 10, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED:

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