

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The Texas Legislature honors and commemorates the
2 life of family physician Dr. Carlos Ramon Saca, who was taken from
3 this world on Sunday, May 4, 1997, at the age of 43; and

4 WHEREAS, Born on January 29, 1954, in Edinburg, Dr. Saca led a
5 life of accomplishment, compassion, generosity, and integrity that
6 is seldom achieved even over a much longer period of time; and

7 WHEREAS, Inspired by his father, the late Carlos Saca, and
8 his mother, Gloria Garza Saca, both of Edinburg, and motivated by
9 his determination to make a difference in South Texas, Dr. Saca
10 excelled in school at every level, from St. Joseph Catholic School
11 in Edinburg to Pan American University, where he graduated summa
12 cum laude and placed first in a graduating class of 619; and

13 WHEREAS, After he attended and graduated with special
14 recognition from The University of Texas Medical School in Houston,
15 Dr. Saca performed his internship in the Department of Family
16 Practice with The University of Texas at San Antonio Medical School
17 in the Bexar County Hospital; and

18 WHEREAS, He then returned to his beloved hometown of Edinburg
19 and became a partner and associate with Stephens, Meede, Saca, and
20 Associates, a busy clinical practice that averaged between 200 and
21 300 patient visits per week; and

22 WHEREAS, His medical skills and positive interaction with the
23 community allowed him to quickly establish his own practice, where
24 he attracted some of the most skilled physicians in the area; and

1 WHEREAS, In addition to his professional success, Dr. Saca
2 also was blessed with a wonderful family life with his wife,
3 Paulette Riggio Saca, who also served as his office manager, and his
4 children, Robert Riggio, Lauren Saca, and James Saca; and

5 WHEREAS, Diagnosed at age 39 with multiple myeloma, Dr.
6 Carlos Ramon Saca battled the disease for four years; during that
7 time, he participated in what were landmark treatments in the hopes
8 of extending his life and to allow some of the nation's top cancer
9 physicians in Little Rock, Arkansas, to learn more about this fatal
10 disease so that future patients could benefit; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Saca continued treating his own patients in
12 Edinburg despite the tremendous suffering caused by his disease,
13 even making home visits to many of his patients who did not have the
14 ability or resources to come to his medical office; through his own
15 example, he motivated his patients and served as their role model
16 and confidante; and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Saca's legacy continues years after his untimely
18 passing, and his memory continues to help many people to aspire to
19 be the kind of man he was; and

20 WHEREAS, Representative Aaron Peña has paid tribute to the
21 life of Dr. Carlos Ramon Saca by passing this resolution in his
22 honor during the 79th Texas Legislature; now, therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, That the 79th Legislature of the State of Texas
24 hereby honor the life of Dr. Carlos Ramon Saca and extend sincere
25 sympathy to the members of his family: to his wife, Paulette Riggio
26 Saca; to his children, Robert Riggio, Lauren Saca, and James Saca;
27 and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of
3 Representatives and Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of
4 Dr. Carlos Ramon Saca.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 67 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on February 24, 2005.

Robert Hanes

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 67 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Senate on March 30, 2005.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 11 APR 05

Date

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Governor

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