

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, The Honorable Mario Zolezzi Garcia, mayor of  
2 Matamoros, Tamaulipas, has dedicated himself to the betterment of  
3 his city, and he truly merits special recognition; and

4           WHEREAS, Founded in 1774, Matamoros is situated across the  
5 Rio Grande from Brownsville, Texas; the city was originally named  
6 San Juan de los Esteros Hermosos and was renamed in honor of Don  
7 Mariano Matamoros, a soldier and priest who died during the Mexican  
8 War of Independence; and

9           WHEREAS, Under the astute and able leadership of its mayor,  
10 Matamoros enjoys a well-deserved reputation as a popular tourist  
11 destination, attracting visitors who seek the charm of Old World  
12 Mexico together with the amenities of a modern city; each year the  
13 residents of Matamoros extend a warm welcome to thousands of guests  
14 from near and far; and

15           WHEREAS, Among the numerous points of interest are the  
16 cathedral church Nuestra Señora del Refugio, Juarez Market Square,  
17 and Plaza Hidalgo, named in honor of Don Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla,  
18 the father of Mexican independence; the city's many notable  
19 historic structures include Casa Iturria, a colonial-style  
20 building, and Casa Cross, the only Victorian-style home in Northern  
21 Mexico; the Teatro de la Reforma hosts one of Mexico's finest  
22 cultural festivals every October; and

23           WHEREAS, Mario Zolezzi Garcia has been instrumental in  
24 furthering the success of Matamoros as a dynamic commercial

1 metropolis, one whose strong international ties are evidenced by  
2 the great number of foreign corporations that have set up  
3 manufacturing operations in the city; and

4 WHEREAS, This esteemed public servant has worked to enhance  
5 the quality of life for the citizens of Matamoros in countless ways,  
6 and it is a pleasure to honor him at this time; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas  
8 hereby commend the Honorable Mario Zolezzi Garcia for his myriad  
9 achievements as mayor of Matamoros and salute him and the City of  
10 Matamoros as notable friends and business partners of the State of  
11 Texas; and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
13 prepared for Mayor Zolezzi Garcia as an expression of high regard by  
14 the Texas House of Representatives and Senate.

Davis of Harris

David Bushurst

President of the Senate

Jim Cooper

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 29 was adopted by the House on March 18, 2003, by a non-record vote.

Robert Haney  
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.C.R. No. 29 was adopted by the Senate on March 18, 2003, by a viva-voce vote.

Letsy Saw  
Secretary of the Senate

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Date

Rick Perry  
Governor

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