



The State of Texas ★ *House of Representatives*

This Certifies that the Texas Flag herewith presented to

THE HONORABLE CRUZ ALANIZ

By

**ARMANDO "MANDO" MARTINEZ
STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 39**

was flown at the Capitol of the Sovereign State of Texas

**IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF YOUR YEARS OF
PUBLIC SERVICE FOR THE PEOPLE OF ALAMO**

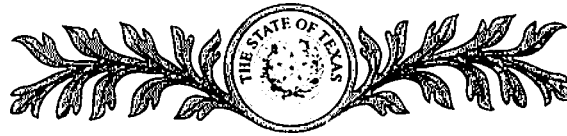
*In witness thereof and pursuant to the authority vested in me,
I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office at Austin, Texas,*

this the **10TH** day of **JULY** A.D., **2014**



Armando "Mando" Martinez
State Representative

The State of Texas



RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Honorable Cruz Alaniz, a longtime public official and civil rights leader in Alamo, has made lasting contributions to the people of that city; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Alaniz achieved a historic victory in 1967, when he became the first Hispanic mayor of Alamo; he served in that office until 1969 and again from 1975 to 1979; he further benefited his fellow citizens in the position of city commissioner, which he held from 1965 to 1967 and from 1981 to 1985; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his time in office, Mr. Alaniz worked tirelessly for the betterment of his community; his efforts were instrumental in the construction of a new city hall and water tower, as well as in the creation of new sewer and water plants; in addition, he helped to increase public safety by expanding the police and fire departments; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan has also given back to his community through his involvement in a number of organizations, including the boards of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council, Head Start, the Salvation Army, and the American Red Cross South Texas Chapter; and

WHEREAS, A champion of civil rights, Mr. Alaniz helped to end the system of segregated schooling in his community, and, together with other early Latino leaders, he paved the way for Hispanics throughout the Rio Grande Valley to serve in public office; in all his endeavors, he has promoted social and economic inclusion; and

WHEREAS, Cruz Alaniz has immeasurably enhanced the quality of life for his fellow Alamo residents, and his achievements will continue to resonate in the city for years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Cruz Alaniz be commended for his service to the people of Alamo and that he be extended sincere best wishes for the future.





Armando "Mando" Martinez
State Representative
District 39