SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 42

In Memory of Adolfo Alvarez

WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to a close with the passing of Adolfo Alvarez of Pearsall on June 26, 2023, at the age of 92; and

WHEREAS, The son of Dominga and Genaro Alvarez, Adolfo Alvarez was born in Harlingen on May 27, 1931, and he grew up with seven siblings; after graduating from Harlingen High School in 1950, he answered his nation's call to duty and served on the front lines during the Korean War; he later returned to Texas and worked as a labor contractor for farmers before establishing A&A Auto Parts in Pearsall in 1973; under his able leadership, the business grew to include locations in Dilley and Cotulla; and

WHEREAS, Along the way, Mr. Alvarez distinguished himself as a dedicated champion of civil rights; he became involved with the Raza Unida Party, which sought to promote and support Mexican American politicians, and in 1975, he was named commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 9185, where he served as a lifelong member; he was elected to the Frio County Commissioners Court in 1980, and after four years in that position, he won a spot on the State Democratic Executive Committee; he was also appointed to the Commission on Aging by former Governor Ann Richards, and he contributed to the Southwest Voter Registration Education Project, the Mexican American Democrats, the Knights of Columbus, and the League of United Latin American Citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Alvarez enjoyed a rewarding marriage with his wife, Lupita, that spanned more than six and a half decades before her passing; he took great pride in their 9 children, Mary

Jane, Adolfo, Alfredo, Arturo, Albert, Adriana, Annette, Alice, and the late Richard Alvarez, and over the years, his treasured family grew to include 19 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren; sustained by his strong faith, he was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, Deeply devoted to his family and his community, Adolfo Alvarez made a meaningful difference in the lives of his loved ones and fellow citizens alike, and his contributions will be remembered for years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Adolfo Alvarez and extend sincere sympathy to all who mourn his passing; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Adolfo Alvarez.

Zaffirini, Gutierrez

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 13, 2023, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate