SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 50

In Memory of Alfonso Jose Alamia, Jr.

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Edinburg and Hidalgo County in mourning the loss of Alfonso Jose "A.J." Alamia, Jr., who died June 20, 2005, at the age of 58; and

WHEREAS, A.J. was born in Edinburg on October 16, 1946; a Vietnam veteran, he graduated from the University of Dallas and then earned a master's degree in education at The University of Texas--Pan American; he was awarded his doctorate from the University of New Mexico in 1985; and

WHEREAS, He was an assistant professor of psychology at
The University of Texas--Pan American and particularly enjoyed
teaching psychology in law with a focus on child advocacy; he was
highly regarded by attorneys around the state, and he was often
asked to serve as an expert witness or as a jury profiler; and

WHEREAS, A.J. Alamia worked tirelessly on behalf of children caught in the judicial system; his efforts earned statewide attention, and *Texas Monthly* profiled him in the March 1990 issue; and

WHEREAS, A man of strength and generosity, he gave unselfishly to others, and his warmth and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew him; and

WHEREAS, A.J. was a devoted husband and father, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,

79th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby extend sincere
condolences to the bereaved family of Alfonso Alamia: his wife,

Maria C. "Chalie" Alamia; his children, Jennifer Jude Alamia,

Janelle Jude Alamia, Jessica Urista, Victor Luis Urista, and

Andres Jude Alamia; and his sisters, Olivia Besteiro, Anna Eakin,

Carmela Nelson, and Imelda Alamia; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of deepest sympathy from the Texas Senate, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Alfonso Jose Alamia, Jr.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 7, 2005, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate