

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 959

In Memory  
of  
Adolfo G. Betancourt, Sr.

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Cameron County in mourning the loss of the Honorable Adolfo G. Betancourt, Sr., who died March 21, 2005, at the age of 82; and

**WHEREAS**, Born on July 4, 1922, in Brownsville, Adolfo Betancourt served his country in the United States Army during World War II; he graduated from Saint Mary's University in San Antonio and South Texas College of Law in Houston; he was preceded in death by his wife of 42 years, Juanita; and

**WHEREAS**, A longtime Cameron County judge, Adolfo Betancourt began working for the county in 1953 with the district attorney's office, and he served as justice of the peace from 1969 through 1976; and

**WHEREAS**, He served as county court-at-law judge from 1986 until he retired in 1994; the highly regarded jurist was honored by the Commissioners Court with a day named in his honor on December 14, 1994; and

**WHEREAS**, He was recognized as a great prosecutor when he served as chief felony prosecutor in the district attorney's office, and he was an outstanding criminal defense lawyer when he was in private practice; and

**WHEREAS**, A highly esteemed gentleman and a distinguished and respected judge, Adolfo G. Betancourt has left a lasting

imprint on the Brownsville community, and he will long be remembered for his wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel; and

**WHEREAS**, Adolfo Betancourt was a devoted father and grandfather, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Judge Adolfo G. Betancourt, Sr.: his children, Adolph Betancourt, Jr., David Arnold Betancourt, Dahlia Eliza "Lali" Betancourt, and Laura Lita Serra; and his six grandchildren; 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 Judge Adolfo G. Betancourt, Sr.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 20, 2005, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate