

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1037

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Mayor Leo Montalvo, who is retiring after 22 years of public service for the City of McAllen; and

WHEREAS, Prior to his first election as mayor in 1997, Mr. Montalvo served as a member of the city council for 14 years; during his tenure as commissioner and mayor, he played a pivotal role in enhancing the quality of life for McAllen citizens and in developing the city's infrastructure without a property tax increase; he is noted for his efforts to get pay increases for city employees and to improve their working conditions; and

WHEREAS, A former teacher, Leo is sensitive to the need for an educated public, and through the McAllen Mayor's Golf Tournament, he helped fund \$1,000 scholarships for the top graduates of the city's three high schools; and

WHEREAS, Leo earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics from Texas A&M University and a master's degree in education from The University of Texas--Pan American; he taught math and served as an assistant superintendent for several years before entering The University of Texas School of Law at the age of 36; he is a partner in the Montalvo and Ramirez law firm; and

WHEREAS, McAllen's first Hispanic mayor, Leo Montalvo leaves a legacy of accomplishments, and the citizens of the McAllen community will long reap the benefits of his exemplary leadership; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend Mayor Leo Montalvo for his many achievements and his outstanding service to the McAllen community as city commissioner and mayor; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Hinojosa

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 26, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate