SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 238

In Memory of Ricardo Almendarez, Sr.

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Falfurrias in mourning the loss of Ricardo Almendarez, Sr., who died February 5, 2009; and WHEREAS, Mr. Almendarez was born and raised in Falfurrias,

WHEREAS, Mr. Almendarez was born and raised in Falfurrias, where he resided for most of his life; he served the nation during World War II in the United States Army, where he took part in some of the deadliest fighting of the war in Italy and North Africa and received a Bronze Star for bravery in action; and WHEREAS, Mr. Almendarez enjoyed a long and productive

WHEREAS, Mr. Almendarez enjoyed a long and productive career with the Life and Casualty Insurance of Tennessee, earning numerous awards as one of the top salespeople in the country; he often gave motivational speeches at company conventions and was able to travel around the nation and world with his family as a result of his career success; and

WHEREAS, Active in community affairs, Mr. Almendarez worked as a volunteer for various charities and he served as commander of the Falfurrias Veterans of Foreign Wars post for several years; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and unbounded good cheer, he was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and his family and friends will continue to live with the cherished memories of his life and his many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Ricardo Almendarez, Sr.; 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 Ricardo Almendarez, Sr.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 17, 2009, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate