SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 242 In Memory of Rudolph Taylor Monsalvo

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Bexar County and Atascosa County in mourning the loss of Rudolph Taylor Monsalvo, who died January 27, 2011, at the age of 73; and

WHEREAS, Born August 1, 1937, in San Antonio, Rudy Monsalvo graduated from the Texas Military Institute in 1955; he continued his education at Baylor University, Saint Mary's University, and Saint Mary's College of Law; he served in the United States Coast Guard in 1960; and

WHEREAS, He was licensed to practice law before the United States District Courts for the Western District of Texas, and he served as a criminal defense attorney; he was an old-fashioned trial lawyer whose successful legal career spanned more than four decades; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his love of the law, he was a rancher and farmer who had a passion for growing watermelons and strawberries on his farm in Atascosa County; he also had a deep love of family and was married to his sweetheart, Susan Qualls, for 41 years; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary gentleman, Rudy was respected in his community for his generous and friendly nature and for his many accomplishments; and

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WHEREAS, Rudy Monsalvo gave unselfishly of his time to others and was beloved by many, and he leaves behind memories that will be cherished forever by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Rudolph Taylor Monsalvo: his loving wife, Susan Qualls Monsalvo; his daughters, Susan Taylor and Sherie Ann; and his four grandchildren; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the members of 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 Rudy Monsalvo.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 14, 2011, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate