SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 141

In Memory of Alejandro Lopez Calderon

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Austin in mourning the loss of Alejandro "Alex" Lopez Calderon, who died January 22, 2013, at the age of 73; and

WHEREAS, Alex Calderon was born March 8, 1939, in Austin; he graduated from Austin High School and served with distinction for seven years as a member of the United States Marine Corps Reserve; and

WHEREAS, He married the love of his life, Mary Esther Hernandez, on July 22, 1961, and the couple raised three sons, Alex, Ray, and Mark, who were a source of much pride and joy and who blessed them with five grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Calderon established the Contessa Gallery and Frame Shop in 1969; he drew on his entrepreneurial spirit and his artistic sensibilities to make it an enduring success, and his sons are proudly carrying on the family business; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and kindness, he gave unselfishly to others; he was widely revered for his wisdom, his generous spirit, and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest; and

WHEREAS, A devoted husband, father, and grandfather, he leaves behind memories that will be cherished forever by his large and loving extended family and his countless friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Alejandro Lopez Calderon; 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 Alejandro Lopez Calderon.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 6, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate