SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 708

In Memory of Benjamin Sontoya Aleman

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas pays tribute to the life of Benjamin Sontoya Aleman, who died March 27, 2013, at the age of 73; and

WHEREAS, Ben Aleman was born on March 18, 1940, in Creedmoor, Texas; early on, he displayed an agreeable nature, and throughout his life, his wit and easy disposition made him a favorite among friends and family; and

WHEREAS, From 1960 to 1966, Ben served in the Texas National Guard and spent a portion of that time in Fort Polk, Louisiana; he later moved to Houston, where he dedicated much of his spare time to coaching the Dixie Little League; and

WHEREAS, Baseball was a lifelong passion for Ben, and he was deeply respected as a baseball coach; he offered steadfast support and guidance to his players, and his teams frequently finished with winning seasons; and

WHEREAS, Eventually, the Aleman family moved to Austin, where Ben served as an employee of Capital Metro for 21 years; it was a job he loved, and he also relished competing in the employee rodeos, often claiming national and local awards in the events; and

WHEREAS, A man of integrity, strength, and generosity, this loving father and devoted husband gave unselfishly of his time to others, and the memory of his warmth and wisdom will long be cherished by his wife of 51 years, Nancy Aleman, by his

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children, and by his extended family; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Benjamin Sontoya Aleman; 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 Ben Aleman.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 22, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate