SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1060

In Memory of Victor Apodaca, Jr.

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of El Paso in mourning the loss of Victor Apodaca, Jr., who died April 28, 2013, at the age of 73; and

WHEREAS, Victor Apodaca, Jr., was born January 25, 1940, and lived most of his life in El Paso; a well-known businessman and a quiet philanthropist, he made a real difference in the lives of countless people through his generous support and his heartfelt advocacy for those less fortunate; and

WHEREAS, He began working in his father's bail bond business at the age of 14, and he attended Texas Western College until deciding to make his career in the business he had learned from his father; he was well known for his management of Apodaca's Bail Bonds, and he also cofounded several other businesses, including Viva Motors and Cielo Vista Bank; and

WHEREAS, He founded and served as the first president of the Professional Bondsmen of Texas, and he worked to further the organization's legislative agenda in Austin; his business leadership was acknowledged when his company was listed in *Hispanic Business* magazine; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Apodaca was noted for his strong work ethic and his high standards; a colorful, flamboyant figure who was proud of his Hispanic heritage, he strove to make sure others had the kinds of opportunities they needed to succeed, and he unfailingly helped out family members, friends, and strangers in need; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary gentleman, Vic Apodaca was a generous, kindhearted person who was respected in the community for his accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, A man of integrity and strength, he gave unselfishly to others, and his wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, Vic Apodaca was beloved by many, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Victor Apodaca, Jr.; and, be it further

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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 Victor Apodaca, Jr.

Rodriguez

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 25, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate