

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 5

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize James Lemman, whose curiosity and interest in history and firearms played a role in the legislature's designation of the 1847 Colt Walker pistol as the official handgun of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, James Lemman is the 15-year-old son of State Representative Ben Lemman; an avid hunter and competitive shooter, James has long been interested in studying the history of such firearms as muzzle-loaders and flintlocks; and

WHEREAS, Over the course of his studies, he noticed that Texas did not have an official state handgun; he also discovered that the 1847 Colt Walker pistol was one of the country's earliest handguns to hold six rounds of ammunition and that it played an important role in Texas history, especially the Mexican-American War; and

WHEREAS, James's research inspired his father to propose legislation to establish the 1847 Colt Walker pistol as the official handgun of Texas, and a resolution declaring this designation was passed by the legislature and signed by Governor Greg Abbott; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commend James Lemman on his avid interest in Texas history and his role in the designation of the 1847 Colt Walker pistol as the official handgun of the State of Texas and extend to him best wishes for continued success; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Schwertner

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 19, 2021.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate