

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 13

In Memory
of
Joe Foster

WHEREAS, The legacy of the late Joe K. Foster, the founding board chair of El Paso Community College, is being recognized with an endowed scholarship at the college in his name; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of El Paso, Mr. Foster was a successful commercial realtor and a respected civic leader for more than four decades; in 1968, he co-chaired a 100-member steering committee to organize a petition drive for an election to create a junior college district; after the voters approved establishing the school, he led the EPCC board of trustees as its first chair, and his service on the board spanned nearly a decade; he passed away in 2013; and

WHEREAS, The Joe K. Foster Endowed Scholarship celebrates Mr. Foster's central role in the creation of EPCC; thanks in part to his efforts, the college today is a thriving institution with five campuses that serve nearly 30,000 El Pasoans each year; in the decades since the founding of the school, nearly 90,000 students have graduated with degrees from the college; and

WHEREAS, Joe K. Foster was a leader in the establishment of El Paso Community College, helping to open the doors of opportunity to countless fellow citizens, and this new scholarship in his name is a fitting tribute to his vision, generosity, and hard work; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby commemorate the establishment of the Joe K. Foster Endowed Scholarship at El Paso Community College and celebrate the life and legacy of Joe K. Foster; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the family of Joe K. Foster as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 22, 2021, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate