

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 62

In Memory  
of  
David Alloway

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Alpine in mourning the loss of David Alloway, who died March 11, 2003, at the age of 45; and

**WHEREAS**, Born May 24, 1957, David Alloway graduated from Eastwood High School in El Paso and Sul Ross University in Alpine; he was a world-renowned desert survival expert and the subject of numerous film documentaries, television shows, and magazine and newspaper articles; and

**WHEREAS**, The owner and operator of David Alloway's Skills of Survival school, he taught survival techniques in the United States, Mexico, and Australia; he had experience in the Chihuahuan and Sonoran deserts and was a working cowboy, a professional guide, and a former naturalist for Big Bend Ranch State Park; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1996, he became the first non-Australian to complete the 200-kilometer Plibara trek, which is considered the toughest survival expedition open to civilians in the world; and

**WHEREAS**, David was called the nation's leading desert survival instructor by *Outside Magazine* in 1999; his former clients included the United States Air Force, Army, National Guard, Customs Service, and Coast Guard, as well as the National Parks Service, Outward Bound instructors, and Mexican and Australian park rangers; and

**WHEREAS**, The widely published author of numerous magazine articles, David had also written a book, *Desert Survival Skills*, and he had recently completed shooting a desert survival segment for an upcoming television series, "The Worst Case Scenario"; and

**WHEREAS**, Well known for his zest for life and his wry sense of humor, David was also a man of integrity, strength, and generosity, who gave unselfishly of his time to others, and his wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew him; and

**WHEREAS**, David Alloway was a devoted father, son, and brother, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of David Alloway: his beloved sons, Ian and Sean; his father, Dale Alloway; and

his brothers and sisters-in-law, Dan and April Alloway and Stephen and Gloria Alloway; 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 David Alloway.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 15, 2003, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate