

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, State law (Section 2165.256, Government Code) specifies those persons eligible for burial in the State Cemetery and authorizes the legislature to grant eligibility to other persons through the adoption of a concurrent resolution; and

WHEREAS, The late Steven Leslie Martin, a native Texan who passed away on March 1, 2003, served as the first chief administrative law judge of the State Office of Administrative Hearings, and in that capacity he fulfilled the monumental task of identifying and marshaling the resources, political support, and human talent needed to bring to fruition an ideal for improved justice; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Martin performed an invaluable service to this state through his organization of the State Office of Administrative Hearings in 1991 and his subsequent management of the office, efforts that have substantially improved the quality and availability of justice for all Texans; and

WHEREAS, This exemplary Texan was appointed by Governor Ann Richards, with the confirmation of the Texas Senate, to serve as the first chief administrative law judge in 1991, and, in recognition of his exceptional accomplishments in that post, he earned reappointment by Governor George W. Bush for a second term in 1995; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of The University of Texas School of Law,

1 Mr. Martin ably served in the appointed position of assistant  
2 attorney general, and he also applied his considerable expertise  
3 and dedication as a legal advisor and counselor to the Texas  
4 Department of Banking and the Texas Department of Community  
5 Affairs; and

6 WHEREAS, The high esteem in which Mr. Martin was held was  
7 reflected by his election as president of the Texas Young Lawyers  
8 Association, and he further provided superb leadership and guidance  
9 as a director of the State Bar of Texas and as a member of its  
10 executive committee; and

11 WHEREAS, A recognized leader in the development and progress  
12 of the practice of Texas administrative law, he authored *West's*  
13 *Texas Forms*, the first published work on the forms and practices  
14 before Texas administrative agencies; and

15 WHEREAS, Throughout his life, Steven Leslie Martin aspired to  
16 serve his fellow citizens as a counselor, as well as an executive  
17 and legal representative of the government of the State of Texas,  
18 and his commitment and ability to meet that worthy goal was  
19 diminished only by his untimely death at the age of 46; now,  
20 therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas  
22 hereby authorize the burial of Steven Leslie Martin in the State  
23 Cemetery, provided the State Cemetery Committee indicates its  
24 approval as required by law; and, be it further

25 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
26 prepared for and sincere sympathy extended to the members of his  
27 family: to his wife, Rachael Martin; to his daughter, Erica

1 Piedfort de Moran; to his father, Maurice Martin; to his sister,  
2 Michelle Martin; and to the other relatives and many friends of this  
3 esteemed gentleman; and, be it further

4       RESOLVED, That when the Texas House of Representatives and  
5 Senate adjourn this day, they do so in memory of Steven Leslie  
6 Martin.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 18 was adopted by the Senate  
on March 3, 2003.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.C.R. No. 18 was adopted by the House  
on March 4, 2003.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor