SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 233

In Memory of Joe L. Price

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Trinity County in mourning the loss of Joe L. Price, who died February 21, 2003, at the age of 58; and

WHEREAS, Born August 21, 1944, Joe Price graduated from Trinity High School in 1962; he received a bachelor's degree from Sam Houston State University in 1966 and a degree from Baylor Law School in 1969; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Price proudly served, unopposed, as district attorney of the 258th Judicial District; elected in 1977, he embraced a career as one of Texas' longest sitting district attorneys and earned a reputation for zealously pursuing swift and fair justice for the citizens of this state; he was highly respected for fighting tirelessly for justice for the victims of crime and their families during his 26 years as Trinity County's district attorney; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the countless criminal cases Mr. Price prosecuted, he never forgot that the victims' lives were changed irrevocably as a result of the criminal acts perpetrated against them; he was always aware that a family who lost a member would never again be able to tell the victim how much they were loved; his compassionate work with families left behind, such as the family of murder victim Pamela Mosely Carpenter, serves as a blueprint and an inspiration for all prosecutors; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Price was an invaluable colleague to others in his profession and was respected for his leadership and his many accomplishments; he generously shared his knowledge of criminal law and prosecution with his fellow prosecutors and with college students and was a member of the Texas District and County Attorneys Association board of directors; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary citizen who was active in a number of organizations, he served on the board of directors for the Kalin House Child Advocacy Center and the Trinity Scholarship fund; he was dedicated to his work on behalf of the young people of Trinity County and was an active supporter of the Trinity County Fair; and

WHEREAS, Joe Price lived his life to the fullest and was a devoted son, father, grandfather, and brother, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 78th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the family of Joe L. Price: his parents, Dean and Johnnie Price; his daughter and son-in-law, Jo Lin Brownlee and Lance Brownlee; his daughter, Aenea Marburger; his grandchildren, Price Brownlee and Marshall and Jenna Marburger; his sister and brother-in-law, Judy and Bill Burton; and his many other beloved relatives; 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 Joe L. Price.

Ogden Staples

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 24, 2003, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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