SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 592

In Memory of Paul J. Mascot

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Austin in mourning the loss of Colonel Paul J. Mascot, who died March 26, 2003, at the age of 82; and

WHEREAS, Paul Mascot was born on June 1, 1920, in Los Angeles, California; he attended the University of California at Los Angeles before enlisting in the United States Army Air Corps Aviation Cadet Program in 1941; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Mascot served with distinction in a variety of flying, staff, and command positions throughout the world and received numerous commendations, including two Legion of Merit awards, five Air Medals, Command Pilot wings, and the Distinguished Flying Cross; and

WHEREAS, The high point of his career was his service in Vietnam flying C-7A Caribou transports as commander of the 483rd Tactical Airlift Wing during 1966 and 1967; after he retired from the Air Force in 1971, he moved to Austin, where he became active in community affairs; and

WHEREAS, Paul served on the Travis County Grand Jury and was a longtime member of the Travis County Grand Jury Association; he served for many years as an election judge and Republican Party precinct chairman and was a member of the Order of Daedalians, the Hump Pilots Association, the Caribou Association, and the Retired Officers Association; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary citizen and distinguished retired military officer, Paul was respected in the community for his many accomplishments; he was a member of Saint Thomas More parish in Austin and a member of the board of directors of the Balcones Country Club Association; and

WHEREAS, A man of integrity, strength, and generosity, Paul 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, Paul was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, 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, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Paul J. Mascot: his wife of 58 years, Virginia Mascot; his sons and daughters-in-law, Paul, Becky,

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Tom, and Patti; his brother, Tim; and his two grandchildren; 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 Paul J. Mascot.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 8, 2003, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate