

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 42

In Memory  
of  
Vaughan Benjamin Meyer

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of San Antonio in mourning the loss of noted philanthropist and businessman Vaughan Benjamin Meyer, who died recently at the age of 84; and

**WHEREAS**, Born in Eagle Pass on December 13, 1920, to Genevieve Curtis Vaughan Meyer and Otto Charles Meyer, Vaughan Benjamin Meyer attended school in Eagle Pass and spent summers on the family ranch in Mexico; and

**WHEREAS**, He graduated from Rice University with a degree in mechanical engineering in 1941 and began graduate studies at California Institute of Technology; he joined the Navy during World War II and became a specialist in military weaponry; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1946, Vaughan moved to San Antonio and began a successful career in the lumber industry, branching out later into land development and home building; he sold his last business in 2000 after having developed some 1,000 properties in Eagle Pass; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout his lifetime, Vaughan Meyer was active in numerous charitable causes, foundations, and educational institutions; he was a founding member of the board of governors of the Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research and joined other family members in endowing three chairs at the Baylor College of Medicine; he also provided initial funding for a professorship in professional ethics at Saint Mary's University; and

**WHEREAS**, He was a member of the governing board of the Argyle Club for 45 years and served as its president for five terms; he was a director of the Witte Museum, the San Antonio Museum of Art, and the Sunshine Cottage School for Deaf Children, and he served several terms as chairman of development and president of the board of directors of Saint Mary's Hall and co-authored a history of the institution; and

**WHEREAS**, A highly esteemed resident of San Antonio, Vaughan Meyer was well known in the community for his generosity and service to others; he loved his dogs, and he enjoyed swimming, reading, traveling, and the pursuit of genealogy; and

**WHEREAS**, Vaughan Meyer 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, 79th Legislature, 2nd Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Vaughan Benjamin Meyer: his wife, Anne de Rossette Orrison Meyer; his daughters and son-in-law, Beverly Vaughan Meyer and Catherine Howard Meyer Lange and her husband, Rich; and his grandson, Casey Abbott Lange; 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 Vaughan Benjamin Meyer.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on August 4, 2005, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate