

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 3

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Moore County in honoring and commemorating the 19 lives lost at the 1956 Shamrock McKee Plant fire by dedicating Station 19 to their memory; and

WHEREAS, At 7:00 a.m. on July 29, 1956, an explosion rocked the Shamrock Oil and Gas Company's McKee refinery near Sunray and Dumas; 10 firemen and nine plant employees lost their lives in the blast; and

WHEREAS, Named in honor of those 19 men, Station 19 is a new, state-of-the-art facility with the latest in firefighting technology; it will serve as an enduring memorial to the tragic loss of 50 years ago; and

WHEREAS, Station 19 opens April 19, 2006, on the site of the blast that claimed those 19 lives; its mission will be to save lives and to ensure that the tragic events of 1956 are never repeated; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby honor the memory of 19 fallen heroes and commemorate their lives on the occasion of the dedication of Station 19; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared as a memento from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 17, 2006, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate