

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 65

In Memory
of
Phil Strickland

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Phil Strickland, who died February 11, 2006, at the age of 64; and

WHEREAS, Born October 17, 1941, Phil Strickland grew up in Abilene; he graduated from The University of Texas at Austin and The University of Texas School of Law and also studied at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; and

WHEREAS, Phil was a strong advocate for the historic Baptist traditions of religious liberty and separation of church and state; he believed his responsibilities as a leader included speaking to fellow Texas Baptists about the issues of applied Christianity, such as poverty, racism, and the environment; and

WHEREAS, Phil served on the Christian Life Commission of the Baptist General Convention of Texas for 38 years; he was the state's first registered lobbyist for a religious denomination and was a legendary champion of children and the poor; and

WHEREAS, A man of deep faith and compassion, Phil spoke with courage and grace on behalf of the less fortunate in our society, and his wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew him; and

WHEREAS, A devoted husband, father, and grandfather, he leaves behind memories that will be cherished forever by his family and countless friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Phil Strickland: his wife, Carolyn; his daughters, Delaine Mueller and Shannon Holman; his mother, Sybil Strickland; and his four grandchildren; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the members of 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 Phil Strickland.

Nelson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2006, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate