

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 220

WHEREAS, The year 2006 marks 50 years since George N. Bowers was first elected mayor of Tenaha, and this momentous milestone provides a fitting opportunity to recognize his many accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Born in nearby Center, Mayor Bowers graduated from Center High School in 1945 and then served his country in the Korean War, for which he was awarded a Bronze Star and the Combat Infantry Badge; on his return to Shelby County, he served for six years on the Tenaha City Council, before being elected mayor in 1956 at the age of 27; and

WHEREAS, Since entering office, this esteemed Texan has dedicated his life to supporting and improving his adopted home; among his many accomplishments are maintaining a local clinic, upgrading the water and sewer systems, expanding the fire and police departments, and improving roads; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Bowers also shares his time and talent with various organizations, including the Lions Club, Tenaha Businessmen's Club, Citizens State Bank, and Shelby County Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, In all his many endeavors, he enjoys the love and support of his wife, Laura, and their two children, five grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mayor George Bowers is known for his optimism, passion, and genuine concern for Tenaha, and it is a pleasure to honor his half-century of remarkable mayoral service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend Mayor George N. Bowers on his 50 years of service to Tenaha and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Mayor Bowers as an expression of high regard 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 May 12, 2006.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate