

**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 239**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is fortunate to have many hardworking, dedicated employees, and one of the most outstanding of these employees is Bruce Foster Hupp, who is retiring after more than 30 years of meritorious state service; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive assistant to Senator Gonzalo Barrientos, Bruce is well known for his unwavering loyalty and utter devotion to Senator Barrientos and the citizens of State Senatorial District 14; and

**WHEREAS**, Born May 15, 1940, in Utica, Ohio, Bruce graduated from The Ohio State University with a degree in cultural anthropology; after serving with the Peace Corps in Guatemala, he moved to Austin to pursue his doctorate; and

**WHEREAS**, The rough-and-tumble of Austin politics soon lured him from the ivory towers of The University of Texas, and he joined the campaign of Gus Garcia for school board; as fate would have it, he met a young antipoverty worker, Gonzalo Barrientos, and the rest, as they say, is history; and

**WHEREAS**, Armed only with his well-worn backpack and a deep desire to serve, Bruce became office manager for Senator Barrientos in his successful campaign for the Texas House of Representatives; and

**WHEREAS**, Since 1975, Bruce and Senator Barrientos have been an unbeatable Capitol duo, with Bruce fiercely protecting the Senator's public life; every weekend found Bruce in the office working to ensure that every inquiry, complaint, or need of a constituent of Senator Barrientos was addressed and an answer given; and

**WHEREAS**, Bruce is a true Renaissance man with varied interests, chief among them wine, music, and Medieval murder mysteries; and

**WHEREAS**, In many offices such a paragon would foster envy and resentment, but his fellow staffers see in Bruce all that Senator Barrientos does and they respect and cherish this endearing and gentle man for his many, many admirable qualities; and

**WHEREAS**, Although his Capitol friends will miss Bruce's cheerful presence, they wish him well in his future endeavors, which they hope include taking a well-deserved, monthlong vacation; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, hereby commend Bruce Foster Hupp for his extraordinary state service and extend to him best wishes for the retirement years ahead; and, be it further

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**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for Bruce Hupp as an expression of highest esteem from the Texas Senate.

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Lucio  
Madla  
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Dewhurst, President of the Senate

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 14, 2006.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate