

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 461

In Memory  
of  
Juan M. Martinez, Jr.

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Juan M. Martinez, Jr., who died January 21, 2005, at the age of 64; and

**WHEREAS**, Born April 20, 1940, Juan Martinez earned a bachelor's degree in business in 1962 from Texas A&M University, where he was company commander in the Corps of Cadets; he earned a master's degree in business administration from Western International University in 1990; and

**WHEREAS**, Juan married Minerva Pena, and they were blessed with two beloved children, Valerie Ann and Juan Antonio; and

**WHEREAS**, He served in the United States Army in Korea as a captain; he learned to fly and served in the United States Army Reserve for over 20 years; and

**WHEREAS**, In 1977, he married Linda Helms; he was a devoted father to their daughter Kristina Danielle and a loving stepfather to Lori Brook Mills and Timothy Brien Helms; and

**WHEREAS**, Juan had a successful career in the aviation industry; he served as the division manager for the United States and Latin America for McDonnell Douglas Helicopters for over 20 years; he also owned and operated Gateway Aviation in Laredo and Cherokee Aviation; he served as vice president for the Texas Airport Management Association; and

**WHEREAS**, Juan Martinez lived his life to the fullest and gave unselfishly to others, and his wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew him; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Juan M. Martinez, Jr.; 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 Juan Martinez, Jr.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 23, 2005, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate