

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 576

In Memory
of
Travis A. Peeler

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Corpus Christi in mourning the loss of the Honorable Travis A. Peeler, a lawyer, lawmaker, and civic activist, who died March 19, 2005, at the age of 80; and

WHEREAS, Born January 17, 1925, in Christine, Texas, to Travis L. and Beatrice Wheeler Peeler, Travis served in World War II with the United States Army Air Corps in France and flew more than 25 missions over Germany; and

WHEREAS, After the war, Travis attended Texas A&I University and The University of Texas School of Law, where he graduated second in his class in 1953; he practiced law as a partner in the law firm of Prichard, Peeler, Cartwright, and Hall until his retirement in 1998; he was a briefing attorney of the Supreme Court of Texas and was an assistant city attorney in Corpus Christi in the 1950s; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong student of politics, Mr. Peeler was elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1960 and served four terms; he was noted for introducing the legislation that abolished the poll tax; he was also an adjunct professor of political science at Del Mar College in the 1970s and served for two years as chairman of the Nueces County Democratic Party; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and generosity, he gave unselfishly of himself to others, and his wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew him; he was preceded in death by his wife, Louise E. Peeler; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Travis A. Peeler: his son and daughter-in-law, Paul and Bonnie Peeler; his daughter and son-in-law, Sally and Larry Dick; his stepchildren, Blake and Jo Betsy Vaught; and his five 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 the Honorable Travis A. Peeler.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 11, 2005, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate