

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1022

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Professor Sir Basil Markesinis, who was recently named Knight Bachelor by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II; and

**WHEREAS**, A professor at The University of Texas School of Law, Sir Basil was named Knight Bachelor for his contributions to comparative law and international legal relations; he has lectured in 25 different law faculties, and he is the author or coauthor of 26 books and of more than 100 legal articles; and

**WHEREAS**, A tradition that began in the 13th century, knighthood is one of the oldest honors in Christendom, and very few people are awarded the title every year; Sir Basil's formal investiture was held at Buckingham Palace on March 9, 2005; and

**WHEREAS**, Sir Basil is the only University of Texas professor to ever receive a knighthood; he is also the only professor from the university to be elected to the French Academy, that country's highest academic recognition; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby commend Professor Sir Basil Markesinis for his impressive and distinguished body of work and congratulate him for the knighthood conferred upon him; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem 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 26, 2005.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate