

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 173

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize James Marcus Pappas, global technology coordinator for Devon Energy Corporation, who has been named the 2007 Houston Area Engineer of the Year; and

WHEREAS, James Pappas is director for the Houston chapter of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers; he is being honored during the nationwide celebration of Engineers' Week for his record of distinguished service in his profession, his contributions to technical and professional societies, and his longstanding involvement in civic and humanitarian activities; and

WHEREAS, In September of 2006, he began a three-year term as the technical director of production and operations for the Society of Petroleum Engineers International; he oversees technical contributions in the production and operations areas of the oil and gas industry, including the technical content of papers, books, presentations, and meetings; and

WHEREAS, He is a regular contributor to professional journals and technical conferences regarding topics that range from exploration and production techniques to the evolution of the engineering profession; and

WHEREAS, A Laredo native, James Pappas was graduated from The University of Texas at Austin with a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering, and he earned a master's degree in business administration from The University of Texas at Tyler; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pappas has made many contributions in the oil and gas industry that have benefited the industry and the citizens of this country, and he deserves special legislative recognition for his outstanding achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend James Marcus Pappas for his remarkable accomplishments and congratulate him on being named the 2007 Houston Area Engineer of the Year; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Zaffirini, Williams

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 7, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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