

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 231

In Memory
of
David H. Brune

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of David H. Brune, who died January 13, 2007, at the age of 76; and

WHEREAS, David Brune was born in Long Beach, California, and grew up in a Navy family; he graduated from what is now Jesuit College Preparatory School in Dallas; he attended Texas Christian University before serving in the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, After his military service, Mr. Brune earned a bachelor's degree and a law degree from The University of Texas at Austin; he served in the United States Navy Reserve from 1953 until 1983, and he was the inspector general for the Naval Reserve Readiness Command from 1975 to 1980; he received the Naval Commendation Medal for his military service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brune began his law career in 1958 with the San Antonio firm of Sawtelle, Hardy, Davis, and Goode and became a partner in the firm, while also serving as general counsel for the San Antonio River Authority; he became the general manager for the river authority and he gained valuable experience that informed the rest of his career; and

WHEREAS, In 1968, Mr. Brune was recruited to become the first general manager of the Trinity River Authority, a position he held until 1979, when he became one of the driving forces behind the Las Colinas project; over the next 10 years, he held numerous positions with the project, including director of Southland Financial Company, the publicly held company that owned Las Colinas; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brune was active in the Catholic Church and the University of Dallas and was a member of the Knights of the Holy Sepulchre; he enjoyed cultivating his land in Foard County and was involved in helping to build the library in Crowell; and

WHEREAS, A man of loyalty, strength, and compassion, he gave generously to others, and his wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew him; and

WHEREAS, He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and he leaves behind memories that will be cherished forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of David H. Brune: his daughters, Elizabeth Hark and Claudia Sandbach; and his five grandchildren and great-grandchild; 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 David H. Brune.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 13, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate