

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 426

In Memory
of
Max T. Martinez

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of San Antonio in mourning the loss of Max T. Martinez, who died February 13, 2007, at the age of 98; and

WHEREAS, Max Martinez was born July 26, 1908, in Helotes; at the age of 20, he changed his choice of career from surveyor to funeral home director and became a local legend in the funeral profession, with a career that spanned nearly seventy years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Martinez took his first job in a funeral home in 1928, and had become a licensed funeral director and embalmer by 1931; two years later, he opened the first Max Martinez establishment in El Paso; and

WHEREAS, In 1934, Mr. Martinez returned to his hometown of San Antonio to open a mortuary, and he served the needs of his customers with compassion and professionalism; he was able to fulfill many of his goals and dreams, including building a funeral home on the grounds of the Chapel Hill Memorial Park; and

WHEREAS, A respected citizen, Mr. Martinez believed in contributing to his community; he served as commissioner of the Urban Renewal Development Center for the City of San Antonio for 10 years; he was also a member of the 100 Club, and he was named Funeral Director of the Year by the Texas Funeral Directors Association in 1997; and

WHEREAS, A man of dignity, strength, and compassion, Mr. Martinez gave unselfishly to others, and his wisdom, warmth, and generosity of spirit will not be forgotten by those who knew him; and

WHEREAS, Max Martinez was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and his family and friends will continue to live with cherished memories of his life and his many accomplishments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Max T. Martinez: his wife, Lucille G. Martinez; his daughter and son-in-law, Betty Jean Dobbins and Bob Dobbins; his sister and brother-in-law, Emma M. Leal and Walter Leal; and his three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; and, be it further

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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 Max T. Martinez.

Van de Putte

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 7, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate