

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 461

In Memory
of
James E. Bauerle

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Dr. James E. Bauerle, who died February 6, 2007, at the age of 83; and

WHEREAS, Dr. James Bauerle was a former regent of The University of Texas System and a longtime oral and maxillofacial surgeon in San Antonio; he was born on September 24, 1923, in Hamilton Pool, Texas; he was raised in Sandy, and he graduated from Waco High School in 1939 at the age of 15; and

WHEREAS, He received a bachelor of science degree from The University of Texas College of Pharmacy in 1943 at the age of 19; he entered the United States Army and studied dentistry; he earned a doctor of dental surgery degree from Saint Louis University School of Dentistry in 1946 and was commissioned a captain in the Army Dental Corps; and

WHEREAS, In 1950, he received a master's degree in oral surgery from the University of Pittsburgh School of Dentistry; he was assistant chief of oral surgery at Walter Reed Army Hospital and then chief of oral surgery at Fort Bliss in El Paso; from 1952 until 2006, he maintained a private practice in oral and maxillofacial surgery in San Antonio; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bauerle worked hard to improve the practice of dentistry in Texas and on the national and international levels through his active participation in many professional organizations; in recognition of his contributions to dentistry and to the Texas Dental Association, he received the association's Gold Medal Award in May of 2002; and

WHEREAS, From his days as a student in The University of Texas College of Pharmacy, he maintained a love for the university and was an avid Longhorn fan; in 1973, Governor Preston Smith appointed him to a six-year term on the university system's board of regents, and he served as chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee at a time of rapid growth; and

WHEREAS, He received a University of Texas Health Science Center Medallion Award for his role in establishing the center's dental school in San Antonio; and

WHEREAS, He was proud of his association with the dental school and continued to be a mentor in and outside of the classroom to several generations of dentists in San Antonio and across the state; he established a professorship at the school and participated in the Hollers Lectureship at the dental school each year; and

WHEREAS, He enjoyed the many friendships he developed at the Monday Morning Quarterback Club, the San Antonio Breakfast Club, the San Antonio Torch Club, and other social organizations; he was a Mason and a member of the Scottish Rite, Knights Templar, and the Shrine; he was a deacon in the First Presbyterian Church; and

WHEREAS, A devoted husband, father, and grandfather, he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family, his many friends, and all those whose lives he touched; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of Dr. James E. Bauerle and extend sincere condolences to his bereaved family: his wife of 23 years, Charlotte; his daughters and sons-in-law, Dianne and Dr. Jack Pool, Nancy and Grover Campbell, and Janet and Greg Anderson; his three grandchildren; and his wife's children and grandchildren; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for 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 Dr. James Bauerle.

Wentworth, Zaffirini,
Watson, Van de Putte

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 12, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate

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