## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 573

## In Memory Phillip Wayne Townsend

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Denison in mourning the loss of Phillip Wayne Townsend of the Denison Fire Department, who died while serving in the line of duty on December 30, 2006, at the age of 31; and

WHEREAS, Phillip Townsend was born January 8, 1975; he had served in the United States Army prior to becoming a firefighter and had completed a tour of duty in Iraq; and
WHEREAS, Following the example of his father, he joined the

Denison Fire Department after his service in the military; at the time of his death, he had been a firefighter for more than a year, and he had been studying to become a paramedic; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and generosity, Phillip gave unselfishly to others, and his enthusiasm, courage, and resolute spirit will not be forgotten; and

WHEREAS, Phillip was a devoted father and son, and he will long be remembered with affection and admiration by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas,

80th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Phillip Wayne Townsend: his mother, Sherry Richardson; his father, Larry Townsend; his children, Maddox, Tristen, and Rylen Townsend; his sisters, Stormy Sparks and Lauren Walton; and his grandparents, Cleda Richardson and Marvin and Helen Townsend; 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 Phillip Wayne Townsend.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 28, 2007, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate