

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 589

In Memory
of
Jackie Waynn Lester

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Lubbock in mourning the loss of Jackie Waynn "Jay" Lester, who died March 13, 2007, at the age of 50 from his service in the line of duty as a firefighter; and

WHEREAS, Jackie Lester was born December 18, 1956; he graduated from Monterey High School in 1975 and attended South Plains College on a rodeo scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lester established the Jay Lester Custom Drywall Company in 1977; in 1980, he joined the Lubbock Fire Department, where he was a lieutenant and served as a hoseman and driver and specialized in heavy rescue for 26 years; and

WHEREAS, In 1985, he received an award for his firefighting from the Lubbock City Council and the citizens of Lubbock, and in 2005, he earned the title Firefighter of the Year and a Certificate of Merit for firefighting from the City of Lubbock; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his duties with the Lubbock Fire Department, Mr. Lester worked part-time at the Texas Motor Speedway as a crash fire truck operator and pit crew member; and

WHEREAS, Active in civic affairs, Mr. Lester was a member of the Lubbock Soccer Association, the Lubbock High School Rodeo Association, the Monterey Booster Club, the International Association of Fire Fighters, and many other organizations; he was a devoted supporter of youth baseball and coached for the Cooper Little League, the Dixie Little League, the Lubbock Pony Colt League, and the Monterey Summer League; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and kindness, he gave generously to others, and his wisdom, warmth, and dauntless spirit will not be forgotten by those who knew him; and

WHEREAS, Jay Lester was a devoted husband and father, 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 Jackie Waynn Lester: his wife, Barbara Lester; his son and daughter-in-law, Jason and Misty Lester; his daughters, Jennifer, Julie, and Jacey Lester; and his sister, Nan Rogers; 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 Jackie Waynn Lester.

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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