

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 979

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Bill Fell for his volunteer work on behalf of the citizens of Plano and Collin County; and

WHEREAS, Bill Fell was honored recently with a civic and community service award from the Volunteer Center of North Texas; he is retired and spends his days monitoring handicap parking spaces and volunteering for several organizations; and

WHEREAS, A champion for people with disabilities, he volunteers with the police department's Handicap Parking Program to ensure only those persons with the required permits park in handicap parking spaces at shopping centers, hospitals, and doctor's offices; and

WHEREAS, The work he does for the Handicap Parking Program allows the police department to spend time taking care of other important aspects of their jobs, such as handling emergency calls; since Mr. Fell began working with the Handicap Parking Program in 2001, the number of handicap parking violators has decreased significantly; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fell also volunteers with the Plano Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, the Plano Fire Rescue Associates, the Collin County Sheriff's Office, Collin County Homeland Security, the Collin County Emergency Management Team, and many other organizations; and

WHEREAS, An exceptionally generous and dedicated volunteer, Bill Fell has made a positive impact on the lives of many people in Plano and Collin County, and he is a treasured citizen and an outstanding role model; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Bill Fell for his volunteerism in Plano and Collin County and congratulate him on receiving the civic and community service award from the Volunteer Center of North Texas; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Shapiro

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 9, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate