## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 988

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Homer Phillips on the occasion of his retirement from the Mesquite Fire Department on May 31, 2007, after more than 24 years of loyal service; and

WHEREAS, Homer Phillips, a firefighter and paramedic, began his career with the Mesquite Fire Department on December 6, 1982; he received his paramedic certification in October of 1985; and

WHEREAS, Homer has received numerous commendations for his outstanding service and his high degree of commitment and pride in fulfilling his responsibilities with the Mesquite Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his firefighting and paramedic responsibilities, he has completed jobs during off-duty hours, building storage areas and ramps and doing wiring and mounting at Fire Station 7; and

WHEREAS, Also during his off-duty hours, he assisted in many medical emergencies, using his paramedic skills and his personal first-aid kit; on one occasion, he led 200 people to safety in a basement when a tornado touched down in Palestine; and

WHEREAS, Homer Phillips is admired and respected by his colleagues, and his presence in the Mesquite Fire Department will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Homer Phillips for his many years of service to the Mesquite Fire Department and extend to him best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 8, 2007.

## Secretary of the Senate