SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 428

In Memory of Malcolm Kenneth Wilson

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Austin in mourning the loss of Sergeant Malcolm Kenneth Wilson of the Austin Police Department, who died March 6, 2009, at the age of 55; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm Kenneth "Kenny" Wilson was born in Merced, California, on December 5, 1953; he moved to Austin with his family in 1965 and graduated from Reagan High School; he attended Austin Community College and worked as a police officer for The University of Texas before joining the Austin Police Department in 1980; and

WHEREAS, He was a highly respected leader in the Austin Police Department and in the community; he had been the sergeant of the Bomb Squad since 2001 and a member of the Special Weapons and Tactics team from 1988 through 1996; and

WHEREAS, Over the course of his career, Kenny Wilson received 10 departmental decorations, including two Lifesaving Medals, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, and the Distinguished Command Medal, one of the highest medals issued to a police officer; he was selected Officer of the Year by his peers; and

WHEREAS, He was also recognized by the 100 Club of Austin on two occasions; one award was for saving a young girl's life, and the second was a team award for his work with the Bomb Squad in successfully dismantling an explosive device and preserving evidence that led to the arrest and conviction of the person responsible; and

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WHEREAS, A man of honor and integrity, Kenny demonstrated exceptional strength and courage throughout his career and particularly over the last years as he endured the physical challenges of his illness; his passion for life and his positive attitude were truly inspirational to all who knew him; he will be deeply missed; and

WHEREAS, He was a devoted husband, father, and son, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and his many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Malcolm Kenneth Wilson: his wife of 27 years, Tracy; his sons, Randy and Daniel; his mother, Billie Wilson; and his sisters, Pam Wilson, Vicki Fughtt, and Patty Hicks; 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 Sergeant Kenny Wilson.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 16, 2009, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate