

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 467

In Memory
of
John D. Moseley

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Sherman in mourning the loss of John D. Moseley, who died March 11, 2009, at the age of 93; and

WHEREAS, A pioneering educator and committed civic leader, John D. Moseley served as president of Austin College for 25 years, bringing growth, financial stability, and innovative methods and programs to the campus; and

WHEREAS, A native of Greenville, Dr. Moseley earned his bachelor's degree at East Texas State University and his master's and doctoral degrees at The University of Texas at Austin; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Moseley began his career in government service; he served in the Bureau of the Budget in the Executive Office of the President of the United States, and he was the first executive director of the Texas Legislative Council; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Moseley became president of Austin College in 1953 during a time of declining enrollment as fewer students were taking advantage of the GI Bill; under his outstanding leadership, the college grew from 350 students to more than 1,000 by 1959, and the number of buildings on campus doubled during the first 10 years of his administration; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Moseley made important changes in the program of study at Austin College, reestablishing an emphasis on the classics and instituting a curriculum rooted in interdisciplinary study; he also brought international programs to the campus, which gave students the opportunity to study abroad; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Moseley was an important leader in the field of higher education, helping to create Independent Colleges and Universities of Texas and working to secure legislation to create the Texas Tuition Equalization Grant; he served in leadership positions with numerous professional organizations, including as chair of the Association of American Colleges and on the board of the American Council on Education; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage and vision with a passionate belief in the value of education, Dr. Moseley gave generously to others, and his wisdom, his dedication, and his valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who knew him; he was beloved by his family and friends, and he will long be remembered with affection and admiration by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 81st Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family and friends of Dr. John D. Moseley; 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 John Moseley.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 19, 2009, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate