

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 184

In Memory
of
Richard Reese Wenneker

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Boy Scout leader Richard Reese Wenneker, who died in August of 2010 at the age of 54; and

WHEREAS, Richard Wenneker was born August 2, 1956, in Tulsa, Oklahoma; he joined the Cub Scouts when he was eight years old and earned his Eagle Badge when he was 17; he was admitted to the Order of the Arrow and was awarded the Vigil Honor for his exemplary service to his community and to Scouting; and

WHEREAS, Highly experienced in rugged backpack camping, he attended five high adventure wilderness camps and served for five years as a youth summer camp counselor in Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Rich was a dedicated adult Scout leader who lived his life faithful to the Scout oath; he loved life and learning and cared deeply about preserving natural resources and the environment; he was an inspirational leader and had a positive influence on the lives of many young men, including his three sons, who were actively involved in the Scouting program; and

WHEREAS, Rich Wenneker was devoted to his wife of 26 years, Sonja; his sons, Adam, Corey, and Jacob; his mother, Shirley Reese Wenneker; and his brother and sister, Phil Wenneker and Lori Thompson; he was a faithful member of the First United Methodist Church of Grapevine; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of Richard Reese Wenneker and extend sincere condolences to his family; 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 Richard Reese Wenneker.

Nelson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 7, 2011, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate