

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 486

In Memory  
of  
Danny Keith Gunn

**WHEREAS**, The citizens of Idalou lost one of their most beloved educators with the untimely death of Danny Keith Gunn on February 12, 2011, at the age of 49; and

**WHEREAS**, Born to Clarence and Oneita Gunn on August 30, 1961, in Garza County, Danny Gunn graduated from Post High School and Angelo State University; he worked for a time in the oil field before returning to college to pursue a career in agricultural education; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Gunn began his career at Klondike High School and then joined the faculty at Lamesa High School, and he went on to become a recognized leader in the Area II Future Farmers of America Association; for the past seven years, he taught in the Agriculture Education Department at Idalou High School, which benefited immensely from his extensive knowledge and tireless work ethic; and

**WHEREAS**, Passionate about education and his chosen field, this admired gentleman devoted many hours of his personal time to helping his students with their animal projects and attending stock shows; the Idalou agriculture program won state awards every year but one under his guidance and was a national reserve champion; over the course of his career, Mr. Gunn advised Texas Future Farmers of America State Star winners, state speaking contest winners, public relations team and farm skill team state qualifiers, and a national semifinalist in the category of job interview; he was deservedly named Soil and Water Conservation Teacher of the Year; and

**WHEREAS**, Danny Gunn and the former Melinda Tatum were married on July 12, 1986, in Post, and they became the proud parents of three children, Tatum, Garrett, and Brady; a loving father, Mr. Gunn supported his children in all their endeavors and took pride in their accomplishments; and

**WHEREAS**, While the death of Danny Gunn brings immeasurable sadness to his family and friends, memories of his warm smile and generous nature will long be treasured by all those who held him dear; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the life of Danny Keith Gunn and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his wife, Melinda Gunn; to his children, Tatum Dorow and her husband, Andrew, Garrett Gunn, and Brady Gunn; to his mother, Oneita Gunn; to his sister, Darlene Speck, and her husband, Gary; to his brother-in-law, Bobby Heckaman; and to his other relatives and many friends; and, be it further

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**RESOLVED**, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Danny Keith Gunn.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 16, 2011, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate