SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 643

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to join citizens across the state and nation in recognizing the life and legacy of the late Colonel Farrell Sullivan, who gave his life in service to the nation as a member of the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, The Vietnam War was one of the longest military conflicts in United States history; more than three million Americans served in Southeast Asia during the war, with more than 58,000 making the ultimate sacrifice, including more than 3,400 Texans; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Sullivan was one of these courageous Americans, and he made the ultimate sacrifice for his country when his F4 fighter jet was shot down by hostile enemy fire in the skies above North Vietnam on June 27, 1972; to pay tribute to his service and sacrifice, a library at Paradise Baptist Church and a high school scholarship in Caddo Mills, Texas, have been named in his honor; and

WHEREAS, The men and women who served the nation during the Vietnam War embodied the highest standards of courage, sacrifice, and devotion to duty, and they have set a lasting example that will live forever in the annals of American history; and

WHEREAS, It is truly fitting that this brave man be recognized for his patriotism and his service on behalf of the nation as Texans across the state observe Vietnam Veterans Day; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby honor the memory of Colonel Farrell Sullivan and pay tribute to his extraordinary service to the nation during the Vietnam War; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family as an expression of gratitude and high regard from the Texas Senate.

Van de Putte

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Duncan	Jackson	Watson
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Dewhurst, President of the Senate

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 29, 2011.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate