

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 724

In Memory
of
Carl Brian Vernon

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Lago Vista in mourning the loss of Carl Brian Vernon, who died February 2, 2011, at the age of 53; and

WHEREAS, Carl Vernon was born August 31, 1957, in San Diego, California; he was a 1975 graduate of Del Valle High School, where he was a member of the track and cross-country teams; he also achieved the rank of Eagle Scout at the age of 14; and

WHEREAS, Known for his adventurous spirit and his love of the outdoors, Mr. Vernon participated in sailing, scuba diving, hang gliding, sky diving, snowboarding, and windsurfing; above all, he loved to fly; he was an enthusiastic and skilled pilot and aircraft mechanic who founded Lone Star Aircraft and served as a civilian instructor for American military test pilot training programs; and

WHEREAS, He organized the flyovers of the Lago Vista Air Force at the community's annual Fourth of July event for many years, and in 1990, he completed a solo flight across the Atlantic Ocean in a Cessna 206 aircraft; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Vernon was active in numerous other community activities; he led many young men to become Eagle Scouts as a scoutmaster for Troop 198 and served as chair of Saint Mary's Catholic Church Octoberfest celebration; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and compassion, he gave unselfishly to others, and his generous spirit and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten by those who knew him; and

WHEREAS, He was a devoted husband and father, and his family and many friends will long cherish the memories of his life and his many achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Carl Brian Vernon: his wife, Rachel; his children, Brian, Matthew, Garrett, and Sierra; his mother, Rose Vernon; and his siblings, Gina, John, Terri, Colleen, and Kevin; and, be it further

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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 Carl Brian Vernon.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 6, 2011, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate