

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 821

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Otto P. Scharth on the occasion of his 88th birthday; and

**WHEREAS**, This distinguished gentleman served the nation with honor and distinction in the United States Army for 32 years, retiring with the rank of colonel; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Scharth enlisted in military service in 1943 and served as a combat engineer in the European theater of operations during World War II; he went on to lead a special operations unit during the Huk Rebellion in the Philippines, to serve as a heavy weapons company commander in Korea, and to work as a senior logistics planner during the Vietnam War; and

**WHEREAS**, Following his retirement from the armed forces in 1975, he served as director of military affairs at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, where he worked with diligence and professionalism to ensure that soldiers and their family members could pursue a college education; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Scharth has been a leader in the Belton community, organizing and leading the Belton Kiwanis Club and the Fort Hood chapter of the Military Order of the World Wars; he has made numerous educational presentations in area high schools and before civic and church groups throughout the region; and

**WHEREAS**, A beloved and respected member of his community, he is known for his courage, his compassion for others, and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Otto P. Scharth on his exceptional service to the nation and state and extend to him best wishes for a memorable 88th birthday; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the  
above Resolution was adopted by  
the Senate on April 26, 2011.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate