

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1052

In Memory  
of  
James Wyatt Edwards

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of James Wyatt Edwards, who died May 13, 2011, at the age of 73; and

**WHEREAS**, James Wyatt "Jim" Edwards was born September 6, 1937; he served the North Texas community with honor and distinction over the course of a varied career that saw him serve as mayor of Plano for two terms and hold leading roles at several colleges and universities; he is credited with drawing a number of large corporations to the area and spurring development of major roadways, public transportation, retail centers, and educational institutions in Collin County; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Edwards was active in Republican Party politics, serving as a coordinator for Mike Huckabee's 2008 presidential campaign in Texas and working with the George W. Bush campaign in Palm Beach County, Florida, in 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, A passionate advocate for the education of at-risk young people, he worked with the nonprofit organization Heart of a Champion; his most recent initiative was the Changing Hearts Project, which is dedicated to aiding the children of veterans of combat in Iraq and Afghanistan; and

**WHEREAS**, He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and although he will be deeply missed by his family and countless friends, he will continue to live in their hearts and minds for years to come; now, therefore, be it

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**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of James Wyatt Edwards; 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 James Wyatt Edwards.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 20, 2011, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate