

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1205

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Paul Foerster, who is retiring after 50 years of exceptional service as a teacher of mathematics at Alamo Heights High School in San Antonio; and

WHEREAS, A 1957 engineering graduate of The University of Texas at Austin, Mr. Foerster entered the field of education as a part-time tutor while working for the United States Navy Nuclear Propulsion Program; he discovered the moment when a student finally grasped a complex concept to be extremely fulfilling and made the decision to become a full-time educator; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Foerster's students have benefited greatly from his skillful teaching methods, which include making up his own problems and examples that relate to the real world and combining a lecture format with collaborative group work in the classroom; his willingness to try new methods and approaches has helped students of differing abilities reach their full potential; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his work in the classroom, Mr. Foerster has written several textbooks, which are still in wide usage across the country; he continues to add to the literature in the field and is perfecting the latest edition of his algebra and trigonometry text; and

WHEREAS, A dedicated and resourceful educator, he has instilled in his students an appreciation for challenges and a lifelong love of learning; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, hereby commend Paul Foerster on his commitment to his students and his profession over the course of 50 years of teaching mathematics at Alamo Heights High School and extend to him best wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors; and, be it further

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

Wentworth

President of the Senate

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

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate