

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 100

In Memory
of
Preston Murdoch Geren, Jr.

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Fort Worth in mourning the loss of Preston Murdoch Geren, Jr., who died June 12, 2013, at the age of 89; and

WHEREAS, Preston Geren, Jr., was born December 16, 1923, in Fort Worth; a 1941 graduate of Arlington Heights High School, he attended Texas A&M University, where his studies were interrupted when World War II began; he was commissioned as an officer in the United States Army and served the nation with distinction in the European theater of operations, earning a Silver Star, two Bronze Stars, and a Purple Heart; and

WHEREAS, After the war, he resumed his education, attending Georgia Tech University and earning a degree in architecture and engineering; he then joined his father's firm, Preston M. Geren Architects and Engineers, and played a vital role in its growth and success; the company's work included numerous projects at colleges and universities across the state, and he was especially proud of its work on the Kimbell Art Museum and at Texas A&M University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Geren was active in a wide variety of professional organizations; he served as president of the Texas Society of Architects, which honored him with its Llewellyn Pitts Award, and he was a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects; and

WHEREAS, His civic involvement encompassed service on numerous boards of directors, and he was a founder and director of Overton Bank and Trust; he was elected to the Westover Hills City Council and served as president of 12th Man Foundation of Texas A&M University; he was a dedicated supporter of education and sponsored seven scholarships at Texas A&M University, which named him a Distinguished Alumnus; and

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

WHEREAS, He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and countless friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Preston Murdoch Geren, Jr.; 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 Preston Murdoch Geren, Jr.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 21, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate