

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 92

In Memory
of
J. D. Nelson

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of J. D. Nelson, who died June 30, 2013, at the age of 76; and

WHEREAS, J. D. Nelson was born in Boston; he grew up in one of the first African American families to live in the city's Roxbury neighborhood and was a graduate of Roxbury Memorial High School; and

WHEREAS, He served the country with distinction as a member of the United States Navy; after his military service, he entered the field of banking as a teller; despite his lack of a college degree, he utilized his extraordinary leadership skills and business acumen to rise to the position of senior vice president at State Street Bank; he went on to found RhumbLine Advisers, a leading investment firm that owes its success to his competitiveness and legendary client service skills; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nelson was active in numerous political endeavors and served as chief administrative and budget officer for the Democratic National Committee during President Carter's administration; he was also a member of the transition team for the first term of Boston Mayor Raymond L. Flynn; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and integrity, he gave unselfishly to others, and his brilliance, his engaging sense of humor, and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten; and

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WHEREAS, He was devoted to his family, 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, 2nd Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of J. D. Nelson; 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 J. D. Nelson.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 25, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate