

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 180

In Memory  
of  
Kenneth Raymond Fleenor

**WHEREAS,** The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of United States Air Force Brigadier General Kenneth Raymond Fleenor, Retired, who died December 10, 2010, at the age of 81; and

**WHEREAS,** Kenneth Fleenor was born and raised in Bowling Green, Kentucky, and graduated from Western Kentucky State University; and

**WHEREAS,** He served the nation with distinction in the armed forces for 28 years; while he was serving in Vietnam, his F-4 Phantom fighter jet was shot down near Hanoi, and he spent more than five years as a prisoner of war, enduring starvation, isolation, and torture; after his release from captivity in 1973, he continued his military career and held numerous important posts at Randolph Air Force Base, including Base Commander, Wing Commander, and Deputy Commander of Operations for the Air Training Command; and

**WHEREAS,** General Fleenor went on to work for the state as a coordinator for Texans War on Drugs, and he was on the boards of numerous companies; for 10 years, he served the citizens of Selma as a city council member and as mayor; and

**WHEREAS,** A man of courage, strength, and compassion, he gave generously to others, and his wisdom and foresight will not be forgotten by those who knew him; and

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

**RESOLVED,** That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the legacy of Brigadier General Kenneth Raymond Fleenor; and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family to commemorate the life of this dedicated patriot, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Kenneth Fleenor.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 12, 2013, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate