## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 471

## In Memory of Larry Gale Nelson

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and pays tribute to the life of firefighter Larry Gale Nelson, who died in the line of duty August 12, 2011; and WHEREAS, This courageous citizen was an oil industry

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WHEREAS, Mr. Nelson was much admired and beloved by his fellow firefighters as a man of integrity, strength, and generosity of spirit; and

WHEREAS, For his courage and his willingness to go above and beyond the call of duty, Mr. Nelson was named Firefighter of the Year in 2007; his peers admired him for his warmth and wit and for his profound commitment to helping others; and

WHEREAS, Firefighters are a unique type of public servant, who regularly put themselves in harm's way; they are the men and women who are willing to run bravely into danger, knowing each time that they may make the ultimate sacrifice; Mr. Nelson was one of those heroic souls; he will be deeply missed by his family and friends, and he leaves them with memories that will long be cherished; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Larry Gale Nelson; and, be it further

bereaved family of Larry Gale 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 Mr. Nelson.

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## President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 18, 2013, by a rising vote.

## Secretary of the Senate