## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 489

## In Memory of Mark Anthony Shepard, Sr.

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Mark Anthony Shepard, Sr., who died April 20, 2012, at the age of 49; and

WHEREAS, A longtime firefighter with the Rosehill Volunteer Fire Department, Mark Shepard was a man of great ability and courage; Mr. Shepard joined the department in 1987 and was a respected and admired firefighter who put his life on the line each day to protect the lives and property of his fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, The reliability and personal sacrifice of this firefighter will continue to be an inspiration to others; he was revered for his work and his commitment to serving the people of his community; and

WHEREAS, A man of loyalty, integrity, and strength, he gave unselfishly to others, and his dedication to duty and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten by those who were privileged to share in his life; and WHEREAS, Beloved by many, Mark Shepard leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family, his

friends, and his fellow firefighters; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Mark Anthony Shepard, Sr.; 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 Mark Anthony Shepard, Sr.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 19, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate