

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 536

In Memory
of
Steve Jones

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Lubbock County in mourning the loss of Steve Jones, who died June 25, 2012, at the age of 59; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jones was a lifelong farmer and a leading citizen who had a deep love of the land; he was a 1982 recipient of the Outstanding Young Farmer of Texas award and had served as president of the Lubbock County Farm Bureau, the Lubbock County Agriculture Committee, and the New Deal School Board; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jones was born in Lubbock to Charlie Jones and Peggy Wilson Jones on February 21, 1953; he was raised on a farm, and he graduated from New Deal High School and attended Texas Tech University before returning to the farm; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jones and Patti James were neighbors and high school sweethearts; they married on August 18, 1973, and had two sons, Chad and Casey; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jones loved to farm and worked many years in the agriculture industry; he farmed with his father as Charlie and Steve Jones Farms and Jones Produce until 1990 and then as Jones Produce until 2002; for the last 12 years he farmed with his wife, Patti, as S&P Jones Farms; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones was a partner in Jones and Young Livestock, an enterprise that bred swine and produced numerous champions in 4-H and FFA youth livestock shows in Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, and Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones was active in numerous agricultural organizations; he was a member of the New Deal Young Farmers, the Boll Weevil Eradication Program, the Lubbock County Agriculture Committee, and the Lubbock County Farm Bureau, and he was an active leader with the Texas AgriLife Demonstration Trials; he also served on the New Deal School Board for 12 years and was a faithful member of New Deal First Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jones contributed immeasurably to Texas and Lubbock County agriculture, helping to preserve the livelihood of farmers across the state and helping to ensure the continued success of the next generation of Texas farmers; his legacy will be a continuing source of inspiration for all who knew him; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Steve Jones and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: his wife, Patti; his sons, Chad and Casey, and Casey's wife, Lacy; his sisters and brothers-in-law, Rita Binder and Bobby, Deanie Allen, and Karen Dunn and Rickey; his brother and sister-in-law, Phillip Jones and Denise; and his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family, and that when the Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Steve Jones.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 26, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate