SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 840

In Memory of Paul Strelzin

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of El Paso in mourning the loss of noted educator and broadcaster Paul Strelzin, who died April 27, 2013, at the age of 75; and

WHEREAS, Paul Strelzin was born June 17, 1937; a native of Brooklyn, New York, he moved to El Paso in 1967 and began serving as a teacher and coach in the El Paso Independent School District; he became principal at Bowie High School in 1992 and held the position until 1997; after his retirement, he later returned to the district as a consultant to boost morale among students, teachers, and staff; and

WHEREAS, Soon after arriving in El Paso, Mr. Strelzin began a second career as a broadcaster, and by 1969, he had become the announcer for The University of Texas at El Paso football and basketball games; and

WHEREAS, He went on to announce games for the El Paso Diablos baseball team, the El Paso Buzzards hockey team, and the El Paso Patriots soccer team; known for his ability to energize the home crowds and for his often-controversial statements, he was inducted into the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame in 2009; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and determination, he gave unselfishly to others, and his generous spirit and enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten; and

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WHEREAS, He was a devoted husband to his wife, Darlyne, and a doting father to his daughters, Sara, Laura, and Sandra, and he leaves 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 extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Paul Strelzin; 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 Paul Strelzin.

Rodriguez

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 6, 2013, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate