## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 334

## In Memory of Wayne Bert Sorensen

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Colonel Wayne Bert Sorensen, United States Army, Retired, who died February 18, 2015, at the age of 72; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Sorensen was born on September 15, 1942, in Saint Paul, Minnesota, to Violet and Bert Sorensen; he earned a degree in business administration from the University of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, He served the nation with distinction for more than two decades as a member of the United States Army; he enlisted as a Medical Service Corps officer, and his overseas tours of duty included Vietnam, Germany, and Korea; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure in the military, he earned a master's degree in health care administration from Baylor University and a doctorate from the University of Iowa; he rose to the rank of colonel, and his last assignment in the army was as executive officer to the chief of Clinical Services, 7th Medical Command, Heidelberg, Germany; and

WHEREAS, After his retirement in 1992, he began a second career as a consultant and university professor; he worked for a number of health care organizations and programs and served as a member of the Health Care Administration faculty at Texas State University; he served as department chair and made numerous overseas trips representing the university on assistance visits to several eastern European countries; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sorensen was recruited in 2010 to serve as the first director of Health Care Administration for Concordia University in Austin; through the years, he was active in a number of professional and philanthropic organizations, most notably the Down Home Ranch in Elgin; and

WHEREAS, He was a man of courage, strength, and compassion who gave generously to others, and his wisdom, warmth, and valued counsel will not be forgotten by those who were privileged to share in his life; and

WHEREAS, He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, 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, 84th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Colonel Wayne Bert Sorensen; and, be it further

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**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 Wayne Bert Sorensen.

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## President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 9, 2015, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate