## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 409

WHEREAS, Businesses that employ Texans and that contribute to the local economy are important components of a prosperous future, and Slone Lumber Company, Incorporated, is among such notable enterprises; and

WHEREAS, In November 1962, H. A. "Lindy" Slone and his wife, Ola Mae, founded Slone Lumber Company shortly after moving to Alta Loma, a community that was eventually annexed by the City of Santa Fe; the business sold items ranging from lumber and nails to plumbing and electrical tools; and

WHEREAS, The Slones incorporated the operation in 1964 and included their son, Adonn Slone, and daughter, Linda Sue Inman, as shareholders; the company continued to thrive through the able leadership of the family's second and third generations, with Adonn Slone becoming president in 1988 and the founders' grandson, Gregg Slone, taking the helm in 2006; and

WHEREAS, While managing the needs of the business, members of the Slone family have been active in their churches and community; in addition to volunteering in the Lions Club and supporting organizations like the local volunteer fire department, Lindy Slone was among the charter members of the Alta Loma Merchants Association, which grew into what is now the Santa Fe Chamber of Commerce; in January 2015, the chamber recognized Slone Lumber and the Slone family with a special award for their more than 50 years of service to the chamber and city at large; and

WHEREAS, This tradition of community service was carried on by Adonn Slone, who once led the Santa Fe Chamber of Commerce as president, served on the City of Santa Fe Planning and Zoning Board, and was a volunteer pilot for Angel Flight; Gregg Slone has been a coach and promoter of youth sports, and he partners with the nationwide organization Operation Finally Home to supply materials for building new homes for veterans with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Slone Lumber was sold to a national company in June 2014, but Gregg Slone remains general manager, and the local workforce of approximately 50 employees continues with the business; and

WHEREAS, Over the last half-century, members of the Slone family have made immeasurable contributions to the life and development of their community, and they may take special pride in their achievements; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby honor the Slone family for their outstanding entrepreneurship and civic engagement and extend to them sincere best wishes for the future; and, be it further

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**RESOLVED,** That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for the Slone family as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Taylor of Galveston

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 23, 2015.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate