SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 682

In Memory of Paul Howard Pryor

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Austin in mourning the loss of Paul Howard Pryor, who died April 10, 2015, at the age of 65; and

WHEREAS, Paul Pryor was born on April 22, 1949, and he grew up listening to the radio, as his father, Richard "Cactus" Pryor, broadcasted a daily morning show from their Austin home; and

WHEREAS, He moved to Los Angeles to pursue an acting career, and he later joined the Dallas Theater Center and traveled the nation as a member of the Alpha Omega Players acting troupe; he settled in Dallas and worked as a news director for several radio stations and was later recruited to serve as news director for KVET in Austin; during his years on the Austin airwaves, he also had popular talk shows on KLBJ-AM and a local ESPN station; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pryor was known for his quick wit and for his exceptional talent on the air; although he was highly opinionated and enjoyed controversial debates with his audience, he was respected and admired for his professionalism and his kind nature; and

WHEREAS, Above all things, Paul Pryor cherished his two children, Ana and Pecos; he helped carry on a proud family tradition of broadcast entertainment, and he leaves behind memories that will long be treasured by his family, friends, and many fans; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Paul Howard Pryor; 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 Pryor.

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 4, 2015, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate