

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 9

In Memory
of
Kay L. Wieland

WHEREAS, A life made rich through meaningful service drew to a close with the passing of United States Army Colonel (Ret.) Kay L. Wieland of Texarkana on May 26, 2017, at the age of 90; and

WHEREAS, The son of Arthur and Clurrice Wieland, Kay Wieland was born in Wyoming on May 5, 1927, and graduated from Mitchell High School in Nebraska; he was drafted into the army in 1945 and subsequently completed three years of service in Germany; after returning stateside, he earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wieland began his career as a commissioned officer in the United States Army with the 82nd Airborne Division in Fort Bragg, North Carolina; over the years, he was stationed in Austria, Germany, Korea, and Vietnam, and he served as a platoon leader, company commander, and battalion commander before being named depot commander of the Red River Army Depot in Texarkana; his staff assignments included battalion operations officer, army branch assignment officer, command chief of staff, and executive officer to the assistant chief of staff for logistics with the United States Department of the Army; Colonel Wieland attended the United States Army Command and General Staff College and the United States Army War College, and he was a fellow of the Strategic Studies Institute; he also completed a master's degree in business administration at the University of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, In addition to serving his country with distinction, Colonel Wieland contributed to his community as a member of the boards of the New Boston General Hospital and the Tri-State chapter of the American Red Cross and as director of the Atlanta Area Chamber of Commerce in Texas; he also taught management classes at East Texas State University and Texarkana College, and in his leisure hours, he loved spending time in the great outdoors, especially hunting and fly fishing; and

WHEREAS, Above all else, Colonel Wieland was deeply devoted to his family; he shared six decades of marriage with his wife and high school sweetheart, Jacquelyn, before her passing, and he took immense pride in their daughter, Diana; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Wieland possessed the courage and initiative that marked the finest members of his generation, and his exemplary service in behalf of his fellow citizens will forever inspire all who had the privilege to know him; now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Colonel Kay L. Wieland and extend heartfelt sympathy to his relatives and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Colonel Kay L. Wieland.

Hughes

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on July 18, 2017, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate