

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 132

In Memory  
of  
Karl Putnam

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Karl Putnam, who died July 12, 2017, at the age of 69; and

**WHEREAS**, Karl Putnam was born December 19, 1947, in Durham, North Carolina; he grew up on the Texas Gulf Coast and earned undergraduate and graduate accounting degrees at The University of Texas at Austin before receiving a doctorate at Oklahoma State University; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Putnam was an associate professor in the Accounting and Information Systems Department at The University of Texas at El Paso; he was widely published in academic and professional journals and contributed numerous questions for professional accounting certification examinations; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Putnam was respected and admired by his students as well as his colleagues, and he served as chair of the dissertation committee for the university's first doctoral graduate in accounting; he was active in a number of professional organizations, including the American Accounting Association and the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants; and

**WHEREAS**, He was known across the region for his love of the outdoors and his commitment to environmental protection; he treasured the beauty and diversity of the Franklin Mountains and led countless hikers on group hikes to share the natural wonders and historic sites to be found there; he was an organizer of the El Paso Hiking Group and the Sunrise Hikers; and

**WHEREAS**, A man of courage, strength, and compassion, he gave unselfishly to others, and his generous spirit and enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest will not be forgotten by those who were privileged to share in his life; and

**WHEREAS**, He was devoted to his large and loving extended family, and he leaves behind memories that will long be cherished by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family and friends of Karl Putnam; 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 Karl Putnam.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on August 11, 2017, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate