

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 286

In Memory  
of  
Dimitri Peter Pappas

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Houston in mourning the loss of Dimitri Peter Pappas, who died January 24, 2017, at the age of 81; and

**WHEREAS**, Dimitri Pappas was born on August 19, 1935, in Laredo, Texas, to Emma Alicia Martinez and Peter Santiago Pappas, who was the son of Santiago Pappas, one of the first Greek immigrants in Laredo; and

**WHEREAS**, Dimitri Pappas earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from Texas A&M University, where he was a member of the Corps of Cadets, and he went on to serve the nation as a navigator and pilot in the United States Air Force; his military career included a tour of duty in Vietnam, and he was honored with the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, the Bronze Star Medal, and the Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross; he earned a master's degree in logistics management during his service, and he retired from the Air Force with the rank of lieutenant colonel; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Pappas was respected and admired throughout the community for his commitment to faith, family, tradition, and education; he served as a lector at Saint Michael's Catholic Church, and he and his wife, Judy, both served the church as eucharistic ministers; and

**WHEREAS**, A devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and a man of great distinction, Dimitri Pappas was beloved by many; he

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leaves behind memories that will long be cherished by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Dimitri Peter Pappas: his devoted wife, Judith Mudd Pappas; his children, Sandra Ann Flanagan and Michael Peter Pappas; his sister, Sandra Pappas Carabaza; and his two granddaughters; 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 Dimitri Peter Pappas.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 27, 2017, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate

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