

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 639

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize John MacDonald, Matthew Harper, Chris Shelley, Brian Hammes, and Clark Channell of the Killeen Fire Department, who were recently honored with the Director's Award from the Texas Department of Public Safety for saving the life of Trooper Ronald Slay; and

WHEREAS, On September 8, 2016, Trooper Slay was driving home after completing his physical training test when he felt chest pains; thinking he simply needed a short rest, he stopped at Killeen Fire Station Number 3; and

WHEREAS, The firefighters on duty recognized that his condition was serious and determined that he was in fact having a heart attack; rendering emergency aid, they immediately secured an ambulance to take him to Seton Medical Center Harker Heights; and

WHEREAS, During the trip to the hospital, Trooper Slay's heart stopped beating twice, but he was revived both times; and

WHEREAS, Thanks to the prompt actions of these firefighters, Trooper Slay received the critical care he needed to survive a serious medical emergency; they serve as an example of teamwork and excellence, and they bring great honor to the Killeen Fire Department; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby commend John MacDonald, Matthew Harper, Chris Shelley, Brian Hammes, and Clark Channell on their quick thinking and decisive action in saving the life of Trooper Ronald Slay; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for these men as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Buckingham

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 19, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate