

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 805

WHEREAS, Carl Keller is retiring from Medina Valley High School in Castroville at the end of the 2016-2017 academic year, drawing to a close a notable tenure that has spanned more than a quarter century; and

WHEREAS, A longtime Medina County resident, Mr. Keller graduated as a member of the Class of 1970 at Medina Valley High; during his student days there, he distinguished himself as a gifted athlete on the baseball and football teams, and he continues to share the school record for most stolen bases in a season with 28 thefts; after earning a bachelor's degree from Saint Mary's University, he spent over a decade and a half working in tractor sales, and he served on the Medina Valley Independent School District Board of Trustees for two years before joining the faculty of Medina Valley High in 1990; and

WHEREAS, In addition to teaching history and chairing the social studies department, Mr. Keller has served as head baseball coach and as an assistant football coach at Medina Valley High; during his 18 seasons at the helm of the Panthers baseball team, he has tallied more than 400 victories and guided his athletes to 11 consecutive and 15 overall playoff berths, including an appearance in the 2008 University Interscholastic League 3A state semifinals; and

WHEREAS, Retirement will afford Mr. Keller the opportunity to spend more time with his beloved family, including his wife of 45 years, Brenda, his four sons, Jesse, Joseph, Joshua, and Jedediah, and his five grandchildren, as well as to delight in

his favorite hobbies of reading, listening to music, and gardening; and

WHEREAS, Carl Keller's athletic expertise and his ability to educate and inspire students have enabled him to make a positive difference in the lives of countless young people, and he may indeed reflect with pride on his many achievements as a coach and teacher; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 85th Legislature, hereby congratulate Carl Keller on the occasion of his retirement from Medina Valley High School and extend to him sincere best wishes for continued happiness and fulfillment; and, be it further

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

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 18, 2017.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate