**SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 419**

**In Memory**

**of**

**Jimmy Ray Bridges**

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Amarillo in mourning the loss of Jimmie Ray Bridges, who died February 22, 2018, at the age of 74; and

**WHEREAS**, Born November 26, 1943, in Hereford, Texas, Jimmie Bridges was a man of natural charm and sharp wit, and he was admired by friends for the compassion he consistently showed to those who were struggling; and

**WHEREAS**, Jimmie served with distinction for three years in the United States Army; he loved the military and enjoyed traveling to different parts of the country and the world; he actively supported his fellow veterans throughout his life; and

**WHEREAS**, Jimmie was a highly skilled mechanic, and his loved ones often joked about his ability to walk into a wrecking yard and drive out with a working car; he later developed a talent for working on computers, and he gave generously of his time repairing and building cars and computers for friends or people in need; and

**WHEREAS**, Jimmie worked for 25 years as a manager and maintenance technician at the Fountain Terrace Apartments in Amarillo, and he was a longtime and active member of Christian Heritage Church; he looked forward to riding his motorcycle with his fellow Christian bikers, and later in life, he enjoyed spending time at auctions and gun shows; and

**WHEREAS**, A devoted father to his daughter, Shalyn Bridges, and a cherished friend to many, Jimmie Bridges enriched the lives of those who knew him through his youthful spirit, his warm and ready smile, and his boundless generosity; he was beloved by many, and he will long be remembered with respect and admiration by all who were privileged to share in his life; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Jimmie Ray Bridges; 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 Jimmie Bridges.

Watson, Seliger

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_     President of the Senate     I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 18, 2019, by a rising vote.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_     Secretary of the Senate\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_      Member, Texas Senate\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_      Member, Texas Senate