

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 458

**In Memory
of
Robert Donovan Newman**

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Robert Donovan "Bob" Newman, who died April 4, 2018, at the age of 87; and

WHEREAS, Bob Newman was born on February 2, 1931, in Big Lake, to Sam and Eva Newman; he graduated from Mullen High School, and he served the nation as a member of the United States Army Air Forces; and

WHEREAS, He attended San Angelo College and joined the Texas National Guard; he also attended Howard Payne College and worked for a time with the Texas Department of Transportation and with Gulf Oil; in 1962, he joined the Texas Department of Public Safety and served the people of Texas with distinction for more than three decades as a peace officer; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Newman was active in a wide range of community organizations, including the Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite, the Lions Club, the Optimist Club, the YMCA, and the YWCA; he held leadership positions with the Boy Scouts of America and the American Red Cross; and

WHEREAS, He married Nelda Bedair, and he was blessed with four children, Robert Newman Jr., Donna Geidner, Deborah Ingersoll, and Linda Hirt, and a stepdaughter, Pamela Parks; his 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren were a source of much pride and joy for him; and

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WHEREAS, A man of courage, strength, and generosity, he gave unselfishly to others, and he will be remembered for his commitment to public service and his enthusiasm for living each day to the fullest; and

WHEREAS, He was a devoted father and grandfather, and he leaves behind memories that will be treasured forever by his family and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 86th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Robert Donovan Newman; 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 Bob Newman.

Rodríguez

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 20, 2019, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate