

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 52

In Memory
of
Paul Bradford Braswell

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Paul Bradford Braswell, who died January 12, 2021, at the age of 62; and

WHEREAS, Paul Braswell was born on November 24, 1958; he grew up in communities around the state and graduated from high school in Pampa; he attended Sewanee: The University of the South before transferring to Texas Tech University, where he cofounded a chapter of the Chi Psi Fraternity; and

WHEREAS, After his 1983 graduation from Texas Tech University, he established a computer support and software programming company; he also served as chief financial officer and accounting manager for various businesses; and

WHEREAS, In 2001, he purchased land in Montague County and established the Cactus Ridge Ranch, a Texas Longhorn breeding operation that became home to a 2006 Millennium Futurity prizewinning bull; he and his beloved wife, Mari-Kathryn, hosted numerous educational seminars for Longhorn breeders, and they were life members of the Texas Longhorn Breeders Association of America; he also served on the board of Children's Charities of Fort Worth for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Braswell was active in Republican Party politics; he served as chair of the Montague County Republican Party and was a candidate for the Texas House of Representatives and for county commissioner; he was elected to the State

Republican Executive Committee in 2016 and played an important role in introducing electronic voting to executive committee meetings and state conventions; he was twice elected as a delegate to Republican National Conventions; and

WHEREAS, A man of courage and generosity, he worked hard to improve government and the well-being of others, and he will long be remembered for his commitment to public service and for his countless contributions to the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Paul Bradford Braswell; 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 Paul Braswell.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 9, 2021, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate