SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 428

In Memory of Willie Moses Simmons

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Elgin in mourning the loss of Willie Moses Simmons III, whose life was tragically cut short on April 18, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Born in Austin on January 1, 2003, Willie Simmons was a cherished son of Vanissa Penson and Willie Simmons Jr. and brother to Sharissa, Destiny, Sierra, and Joshua; and

brother to Sharissa, Destiny, Sierra, and Joshua; and WHEREAS, Willie was an exceptional student and a talented athlete at Elgin High School, where he served as captain of the varsity football team; he was a three-star outside linebacker, and he had turned down multiple collegiate recruitment offers and made plans to hone his skills at the University of North Texas; and

WHEREAS, A devout Christian, Willie faithfully attended weekly Bible study at First Baptist Church in Elgin; he was a gentle spirit who inspired others through his sincere love of family and through the kindness he bestowed on friends and strangers alike; and

WHEREAS, This bright and gifted young man was a beloved member of the Elgin community; he enriched the lives of all who knew him, and he leaves behind memories that will live on in the hearts of his many friends and loved ones; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby extend sincere condolences to the bereaved family of Willie Moses Simmons III; 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 Willie Simmons III.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 17, 2021, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate