

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 62

**In Memory
of
Brad Jones**

WHEREAS, Brad Jones, the former president and CEO of the Electric Reliability Council of Texas and an influential figure in the state's energy industry, passed away on November 8, 2023, at the age of 60; and

WHEREAS, Born on November 26, 1962, Bradley Carl Jones graduated with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Texas Tech University and earned his master's degree in business administration from The University of Texas at Arlington; his exceptional career in the energy sector spanned more than 30 years and included a notable tenure at Luminant, where he held such roles as vice president of generation development and vice president of government relations; in recognition of his leadership efforts with the company, he was honored with a Commissioners' Award from the Public Utility Commission of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones went on to join the executive team at the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, serving as senior vice president and chief operating officer from 2013 to 2015; his achievements with ERCOT led to his appointment as president and CEO of the New York Independent System Operator in 2015, and he guided that organization until retiring in 2018; and

WHEREAS, In May 2021, Mr. Jones agreed to return to ERCOT to serve as interim president and CEO; in that role, he rose to the challenge of leading the council in the aftermath of Winter Storm Uri, which significantly impacted the state's energy infrastructure; he concluded his interim responsibilities with ERCOT on November 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones served on the board of directors of both ERCOT and NYISO and also held membership in the Gulf Coast Power Association and the FutureGen Industrial Alliance; active in a number of philanthropic initiatives, he was a board member for the March of Dimes, Atlas Scholars, and the St. Peter's Health Foundation; to honor his legacy, the Brad Jones Engineering Scholarship has been established at his undergraduate alma mater, Texas Tech University; and

WHEREAS, Although the passing of Brad Jones is a profound loss to all who were privileged to know him, his dedicated work greatly influenced the energy industry in Texas and beyond, and his contributions will continue to be remembered and admired for many years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the life of Brad Jones and extend heartfelt sympathy to his family, friends, and former colleagues; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for his family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Brad Jones.

Johnson

Alvarado	Hancock	Nichols
Bettencourt	Hinojosa	Parker
Birdwell	Huffman	Paxton
Blanco	Hughes	Perry
Campbell	King	Schwertner
Creighton	Kolkhorst	Sparks
Eckhardt	LaMantia	Springer
Flores	Menéndez	West
Gutierrez	Middleton	Whitmire
Hall	Miles	Zaffirini

Patrick, President of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on December 1, 2023, by a rising vote.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate