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PROCEEDINGS

THIRTY-FIRST DAY

(Tuesday, March 26, 2013)

The Senate met at 11:06 a.m. pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators were present: Birdwell, Campbell, Carona, Davis, Deuell, Duncan, Ellis, Eltife, Estes, Fraser, Garcia, Hancock, Hegar, Hinojosa, Huffman, Lucio, Nelson, Nichols, Patrick, Paxton, Rodríguez, Schwertner, Seliger, Taylor, Uresti, Van de Putte, Watson, West, Whitmire, Williams, Zaffirini.

The President announced that a quorum of the Senate was present.

The Reverend Cliff Warner, Christ Church, Austin, was introduced by Senator Estes and offered the invocation as follows:

Almighty God, maker of all things, You have made us in Your image to be stewards of all that You have created, to love, lead, and serve in this world, in Your holy name. We have not loved You with our whole hearts, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are grateful for the gift of forgiveness and for Your compassion. Merciful God, the call to public leadership is a heavy burden, the pressures are great and the effects of our actions and decisions are real. I ask that You would grant each Member of this Senate Your strength to persevere, that they would not grow weary in doing good, and that You would restore their souls, refresh their minds, and strengthen their frame. And give us a vision, O Lord, of all that is true and good and beautiful, that even as we wrestle with the complexities of life together, that we might never lose hope in holding up the greatest ideals for which You created us. Guide our leaders now, I ask, to serve, lead, and make laws for our land that serve the common good and cause Texans everywhere to flourish. And now, with respect for people of every faith and no faith, I pray these things in Jesus' merciful name. Amen.

Senator Whitmire moved that the reading of the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day be dispensed with and the Journal be approved as printed.

The motion prevailed without objection.

PHYSICIAN OF THE DAY

Senator Campbell was recognized and presented Dr. Fred Merian of Wimberley as the Physician of the Day.

The Senate welcomed Dr. Merian and thanked him for his participation in the Physician of the Day program sponsored by the Texas Academy of Family Physicians.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Hinojosa was recognized and introduced to the Senate students from West Oso High School, accompanied by Mary Lou Walter, Assistant Principal; Jose Lopez, West Oso ISD Board of Directors; and teachers Andrea Hernandez, Holly Salazar, Drusilla Lomas, and Wendell Avery.

Senator Hinojosa also introduced delegations from Robstown and Banquete representing Texas Partnership for Out of School Time Advocacy Day.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 424

Senator Nelson offered the following resolution:

SR 424, Recognizing the Pregnancy Resource Centers in Texas.

The resolution was again read.

The resolution was previously adopted on Monday, March 18, 2013.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Nelson was recognized and introduced to the Senate representatives from pregnancy resource centers, maternity homes, and adoption centers across Texas.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Estes was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce delegation.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

GUEST PRESENTED

Senator Lucio was recognized and introduced to the Senate Dolly Lucio Sevier.

The Senate welcomed its guest.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Hegar was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Senate District 18 delegation.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Campbell was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Hays County delegation.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 519

Senator Duncan offered the following resolution:

SR 519, Recognizing March 26, 2013, as Lubbock Day at the State Capitol.

The resolution was read and was adopted without objection.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Duncan was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Lubbock Chamber of Commerce delegation, accompanied by Carlos Morales, Caprock Home Health Services; Beth Lawson; John Johnson, Plains Cotton Cooperative Association; David Park, Atmos Energy; and Norma Ritz Johnson.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Davis was recognized and introduced to the Senate a Texas House District 95 delegation.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

SENATE RESOLUTION 536

Senator Duncan offered the following resolution:

SR 536, In memory of Steve Jones.

On motion of Senator Duncan, the resolution was read and was adopted by a rising vote of the Senate.

In honor of the memory of Steve Jones, the text of the resolution is printed at the end of today's *Senate Journal*.

Senator Duncan was recognized and introduced to the Senate the family of Steve Jones: his wife, Patti, and his sons, Chad and Casey.

The Senate welcomed its guests and extended its sympathy.

GUESTS PRESENTED

Senator Watson was recognized and introduced to the Senate students from Austin High School's Youth and Government Program.

The Senate welcomed its guests.

**INTRODUCTION OF
BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS POSTPONED**

The President announced that the introduction of bills and resolutions on first reading would be postponed until the end of today's session.

There was no objection.

CONCLUSION OF MORNING CALL

The President at 11:37 a.m. announced the conclusion of morning call.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 441 ON SECOND READING**

On motion of Senator Birdwell and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **CSSB 441** at this time on its second reading:

CSSB 441, Relating to the establishment of the Texas Fast Start Program to promote rapid delivery of workforce education and development.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment.

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SENATE BILL 441 ON THIRD READING**

Senator Birdwell moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **CSSB 441** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

SENATE BILL 204 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Nichols and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 204** at this time on its second reading:

SB 204, Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Board of Professional Engineers; changing a fee.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment.

SENATE BILL 204 ON THIRD READING

Senator Nichols moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 204** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

HOUSE CHAMBER

Austin, Texas

Tuesday, March 26, 2013 - 1

The Honorable President of the Senate
Senate Chamber
Austin, Texas

Mr. President:

I am directed by the house to inform the senate that the house has taken the following action:

THE HOUSE HAS PASSED THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

HCR 93

Perry

In memory of Steven Jones of Lubbock.

Respectfully,

/s/Robert Haney, Chief Clerk
House of Representatives

SENATE BILL 12 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Huffman and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 12** at this time on its second reading:

SB 12, Relating to the admissibility of evidence of other similar offenses in the prosecution of certain sexual offenses.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment.

SENATE BILL 12 ON THIRD READING

Senator Huffman moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 12** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

SENATE BILL 380 ON THIRD READING

On motion of Senator Schwertner and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 380** at this time on its third reading and final passage:

SB 380, Relating to the recording of an informal settlement conference to resolve a complaint to the Texas Medical Board against a physician.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

SENATE BILL 825 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Whitmire and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 825** at this time on its second reading:

SB 825, Relating to disciplinary standards and procedures applicable to grievances alleging certain prosecutorial misconduct.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment.

SENATE BILL 825 ON THIRD READING

Senator Whitmire moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 825** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

SENATE BILL 874 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Hegar and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 874** at this time on its second reading:

SB 874, Relating to the operation of health care sharing ministries.

The bill was read second time and was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment.

SENATE BILL 874 ON THIRD READING

Senator Hegar moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 874** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

SENATE BILL 281 ON SECOND READING

On motion of Senator Estes and by unanimous consent, the regular order of business was suspended to take up for consideration **SB 281** at this time on its second reading:

SB 281, Relating to the administration and powers of the Red River Authority of Texas.

The bill was read second time.

Senator Estes offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 1

Amend **SB 281** by striking SECTION 3 of the bill (Committee Printing page 1, lines 53 and 54) and substituting the following:

SECTION 1. Section 25, Chapter 279, Acts of the 56th Legislature, Regular Session, 1959, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 25. Nothing in this Act shall be construed as authorizing the Authority to acquire~~[-regulate or control in any way]~~ underground water or underground water rights by condemnation ~~[or purchase or otherwise or to develop, regulate or control the use of underground water resources in any manner. This Act is intended to govern and shall be construed to govern and apply to surface water only].~~

The amendment to **SB 281** was read and was adopted by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 1.

Senator Duncan offered the following amendment to the bill:

Floor Amendment No. 2

Amend **SB 281** by striking SECTION 4 of the bill (committee printing, page 1, lines 55-59) and substituting the following:

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect January 1, 2014.

The amendment to **SB 281** was read and was adopted by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the adoption of Floor Amendment No. 2.

On motion of Senator Estes and by unanimous consent, the caption was amended to conform to the body of the bill as amended.

SB 281 as amended was passed to engrossment by a viva voce vote.

All Members are deemed to have voted "Yea" on the passage to engrossment.

SENATE BILL 281 ON THIRD READING

Senator Estes moved that Senate Rule 7.18 and the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that **SB 281** be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

The bill was read third time and was passed by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

**SENATE BILL 538 REREFERRED
(Motion In Writing)**

Senator Rodríguez submitted a Motion In Writing requesting that **SB 538** be withdrawn from the Committee on State Affairs and rereferred to the Committee on Criminal Justice.

The Motion In Writing prevailed without objection.

SENATE RULE 7.07(b) SUSPENDED
(Permission to Introduce)
(Motion In Writing)

Senator Whitmire submitted the following Motion In Writing:

Mr. President:

I move suspension of Senate Rule 7.07(b) to permit the introduction of the following bills and resolution: **SB 1853, SB 1855, SB 1856, SCR 31.**

WHITMIRE

The Motion In Writing prevailed without objection.

SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following bills, filed on or before Friday, March 8, 2013, were introduced, read first time, and referred to the committees indicated:

SB 1371 by Rodríguez

Relating to certain gaming activity conducted by an Indian tribe or tribal organization.
To Committee on Finance.

SB 1494 by Hinojosa

Relating to the licensing and regulation of horse and greyhound racing; providing penalties; authorizing a fee.
To Committee on Finance.

SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTION ON FIRST READING

The following bills and resolution were introduced, read first time, and referred to the committees indicated:

SB 1853 by Fraser

Relating to the amendment of restrictions affecting real property in certain subdivisions.
To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SB 1855 by Eltife

Relating to the Texarkana College District.
To Committee on Higher Education.

SB 1856 by Eltife

Relating to the election of board members for emergency services districts in certain counties.
To Committee on Intergovernmental Relations.

SCR 31 by Ellis

Supporting the University of Houston System Board of Regents for their approval of a health science center at the University of Houston.
To Committee on Higher Education.

HOUSE BILL ON FIRST READING

The following bill received from the House was read first time and referred to the committee indicated:

HB 1600 to Committee on Business and Commerce.

SENATE BILL 1610 REREFERRED
(Motion In Writing)

Senator Schwertner submitted a Motion In Writing requesting that **SB 1610** be withdrawn from the Committee on Business and Commerce and rereferred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

The Motion In Writing prevailed without objection.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Senator Hegar submitted the following report from the Committee on Nominations:

We, your Committee on Nominations, to which were referred the following appointments, have had same under consideration and report them back to the Senate with a recommendation that they be confirmed:

Presiding Officer, Alamo Regional Mobility Authority: John Glenn Clamp, Bexar County.

Independent Ombudsman, Office of Independent Ombudsman, Texas Juvenile Justice Department: Deborah K. Unruh, Travis County.

Commissioner of Education: Michael Lawrence Williams, Tarrant County.

Member, Texas Facilities Commission: Michael Jeffrey Novak, Bexar County.

Members, Texas Juvenile Justice Board: John A. Brieden, Washington County; Joseph D. Brown, Grayson County; Carol Lynn Bush, Ellis County; Scott W. Fisher, Tarrant County; Rebecca Ann Gregory, Dallas County; Jane Anderson King, Randall County; David Scott Matthew, Williamson County; Mary Louise Mendoza, Bexar County; Rene Luis Olvera, Bexar County; Laura Lee Parker, Bexar County; James Robert Smith, Midland County; Calvin Wayne Stephens, Dallas County; Melissa Ann Weiss, Austin County.

Members, Board of Trustees, Texas Municipal Retirement System: Julie Oakley, Burnet County; Bill James Philibert, Harris County.

NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF NOMINATIONS

Senator Hegar gave notice that he would tomorrow submit to the Senate for consideration nominations to agencies, boards, and commissions of the state.

SENATE RULES SUSPENDED
(Posting Rules)

On motion of Senator Deuell and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a) and Senate Rule 11.18(a) were suspended in order that the Committee on Economic Development might meet and consider the following bills tomorrow:

SB 507, SB 894.

SENATE RULES SUSPENDED
(Posting Rules)

On motion of Senator Ellis and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a) and Senate Rule 11.18(a) were suspended in order that the Committee on Open Government might meet and consider the following bills today:

SB 121, SB 457, SB 656.

SENATE RULES SUSPENDED
(Posting Rules)

On motion of Senator Estes and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a) and Senate Rule 11.18(a) were suspended in order that the Committee on Agriculture, Rural Affairs and Homeland Security might meet and consider **SB 1395** today.

SENATE RULES SUSPENDED
(Posting Rules)

On motion of Senator Carona and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a) and Senate Rule 11.18(a) were suspended in order that the Committee on Business and Commerce might meet and consider **SB 1577** today.

SENATE RULES SUSPENDED
(Posting Rules)

On motion of Senator Hegar and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.10(a) and Senate Rule 11.18(a) were suspended in order that the Committee on Finance Subcommittee on Fiscal Matters might meet and consider the following bills and resolutions today:

SB 163, SB 446, SB 485, SB 489, SB 546, SB 657, SB 908, SB 1076, SB 1224, SB 1255, SB 1256, SJR 16, SJR 32.

SENATE RULE 11.13 SUSPENDED
(Consideration of Bills in Committees)

On motion of Senator Hegar and by unanimous consent, Senate Rule 11.13 was suspended to grant all committees permission to meet while the Senate was meeting today.

CO-AUTHORS OF SENATE BILL 10

On motion of Senator Van de Putte, Senators Campbell, Davis, and Rodríguez will be shown as Co-authors of **SB 10**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 162

On motion of Senator Van de Putte, Senator Rodríguez will be shown as Co-author of **SB 162**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 181

On motion of Senator Hegar, Senator West will be shown as Co-author of **SB 181**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 229

On motion of Senator Davis, Senator Rodríguez will be shown as Co-author of **SB 229**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 442

On motion of Senator Birdwell, Senator Rodríguez will be shown as Co-author of **SB 442**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 459

On motion of Senator Rodríguez, Senator Seliger will be shown as Co-author of **SB 459**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 553

On motion of Senator Uresti, Senator Hegar will be shown as Co-author of **SB 553**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 680

On motion of Senator West, Senator Hegar will be shown as Co-author of **SB 680**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 825

On motion of Senator Whitmire, Senator West will be shown as Co-author of **SB 825**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 931

On motion of Senator Hancock, Senator West will be shown as Co-author of **SB 931**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1185

On motion of Senator Huffman, Senator Whitmire will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1185**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1210

On motion of Senator Zaffirini, Senator West will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1210**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1240

On motion of Senator Duncan, Senator Carona will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1240**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1583

On motion of Senator Ellis, Senator Rodríguez will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1583**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE BILL 1655

On motion of Senator Williams, Senator Birdwell will be shown as Co-author of **SB 1655**.

CO-AUTHOR OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 55

On motion of Senator Williams, Senator Birdwell will be shown as Co-author of **SJR 55**.

RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION

The following resolutions were adopted by the Senate:

Memorial Resolutions

SR 547 by Hinojosa, In memory of Geraldine D'Unger McGloin.

SR 550 by Hinojosa, In memory of Roland Garcia, Sr.

HCR 93 (Duncan), In memory of Steven Jones of Lubbock.

Congratulatory Resolutions

SR 545 by Hancock, Birdwell, Davis, Duncan, Nelson, Seliger, West, and Zaffirini, Recognizing James D. Spaniolo on the occasion of his retirement as president of The University of Texas at Arlington.

SR 546 by Hinojosa, Recognizing the United Veterans Burial Association in Alice for its contributions to the community.

SR 548 by Hinojosa, Recognizing the Ben Bolt-Palito Blanco mariachi band for winning a state title.

SR 549 by Hinojosa, Recognizing the Premont mariachi band for its second-place finish in the state competition.

Official Designation Resolutions

SR 544 by Hegar, Celebrating March 26, 2013, as Burleson County Day at the Capitol.

SR 551 by Deuell, Celebrating March 28, 2013, as Hopkins County Day at the State Capitol.

REMARKS ORDERED PRINTED

On motion of Senator Whitmire and by unanimous consent, the remarks by Senator Lucio regarding Carlos Rodriguez were ordered reduced to writing and printed in the *Senate Journal* as follows:

A very dear friend of mine and so many in the valley and around Texas passed away yesterday, a Weslaco, Texas, native, he died in Houston, Texas, of a heart attack. He was an outstanding Texas businessman. He and his wife, Elma, owned and operated a group of proprietary schools known in South Texas as South Texas Vo-Tech. Charlie, as I called him, and Elma were blessed with five beautiful daughters. Charlie was a pioneer in proprietary and private schools in Texas dating back to the late 1960s where he started a language academy in Brownsville, Texas. He had an incredible work ethic, and he contributed so much. He and his family were not only entrepreneurs but they did so much to help so many nonprofits. Because of the compassion they had for the community and the people that surrounded them, they were able to make a big difference in the lives of so many. Also

in the schools that they operated, they helped thousands of young men and women accomplish their vocational and technical educational goals. I wanted to just ask the Senate today, Members, to adjourn in his memory, and I would very much appreciate it in the same motion if my remarks could be entered into the Journal in his memory so that we could show his family that we truly respected this giant of a man who, again, made such an incredible difference in the lives of so many in South Texas who knew him. Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Members.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Whitmire, the Senate at 12:24 p.m. adjourned, in memory of Steve Jones and Carlos Rodriguez, until 11:00 a.m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following committee reports were received by the Secretary of the Senate in the order listed:

March 26, 2013

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES — **CSSB 492, CSSB 502, CSSB 534, SB 537**

ADMINISTRATION — **SB 1026** (Amended) (Ordered not printed), **SB 1093** (Amended) (Ordered not printed)

STATE AFFAIRS — **SB 200, CSSB 953, SJR 22, CSSB 292, SB 948**

BILLS ENGROSSED

March 25, 2013

SB 7, SB 188, SB 344, SB 515, SB 518, SB 581, SB 639, SB 770

RESOLUTIONS ENROLLED

March 25, 2013

SR 524, SR 525, SR 526, SR 527, SR 528, SR 529, SR 530, SR 531, SR 532, SR 533, SR 535, SR 537, SR 538, SR 539, SR 541, SR 542

In Memory
of
Steve Jones
Senate Resolution 536

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas joins the citizens of Lubbock County in mourning the loss of Steve Jones, who died June 25, 2012, at the age of 59; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jones was a lifelong farmer and a leading citizen who had a deep love of the land; he was a 1982 recipient of the Outstanding Young Farmer of Texas award and had served as president of the Lubbock County Farm Bureau, the Lubbock County Agriculture Committee, and the New Deal School Board; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jones was born in Lubbock to Charlie Jones and Peggy Wilson Jones on February 21, 1953; he was raised on a farm, and he graduated from New Deal High School and attended Texas Tech University before returning to the farm; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jones and Patti James were neighbors and high school sweethearts; they married on August 18, 1973, and had two sons, Chad and Casey; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jones loved to farm and worked many years in the agriculture industry; he farmed with his father as Charlie and Steve Jones Farms and Jones Produce until 1990 and then as Jones Produce until 2002; for the last 12 years he farmed with his wife, Patti, as S&P Jones Farms; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones was a partner in Jones and Young Livestock, an enterprise that bred swine and produced numerous champions in 4-H and FFA youth livestock shows in Texas, New Mexico, Colorado, and Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones was active in numerous agricultural organizations; he was a member of the New Deal Young Farmers, the Boll Weevil Eradication Program, the Lubbock County Agriculture Committee, and the Lubbock County Farm Bureau, and he was an active leader with the Texas AgriLife Demonstration Trials; he also served on the New Deal School Board for 12 years and was a faithful member of New Deal First Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, Steve Jones contributed immeasurably to Texas and Lubbock County agriculture, helping to preserve the livelihood of farmers across the state and helping to ensure the continued success of the next generation of Texas farmers; his legacy will be a continuing source of inspiration for all who knew him; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Steve Jones and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: his wife, Patti; his sons, Chad and

Casey, and Casey's wife, Lacy; his sisters and brothers-in-law, Rita Binder and Bobby, Deanie Allen, and Karen Dunn and Rickey; his brother and sister-in-law, Phillip Jones and Denise; and his other relatives and friends; and, be it further

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

DUNCAN

