

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 83

In Memory  
of  
Efrain Jesus Laurel

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas honors and commemorates the life of Efrain Jesus "E. J." Laurel, who died January 3, 2019, at the age of 86; and

**WHEREAS**, E. J. Laurel was an exemplary citizen and a highly respected law enforcement officer who was known for his courage, commitment to public service, and attention to detail; he was passionate about his work, and he had a positive impact on life in Laredo and across the Rio Grande Valley; and

**WHEREAS**, He and his beloved wife, the late Alma Diana P. Laurel, were blessed with five children, Efrain Laurel Jr., Araceli Vasquez, Carlos Laurel, Clarissa Elizondo, and Diedra Lizcano; his 14 grandchildren and his five great-grandchildren were a source of much pride and joy for him; and

**WHEREAS**, A native of Laredo, E. J. Laurel began his 40-year career in law enforcement by serving as a United States customs agent; he later worked for a time with the Drug Enforcement Administration before becoming the Webb County Precinct 4 constable; he concluded his career by serving as chief of the Laredo Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Laurel held a master's degree in interdisciplinary studies, and he was noted for his exceptional memory for historical facts; he was a man of many interests and an avid baseball fan, and he took great joy in living each day to the fullest; and

**WHEREAS,** He was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather, and he leaves behind memories that will be cherished 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 Efrain Jesus Laurel; 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 E. J. Laurel.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 28, 2019, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate