

SHORT TITLE: Praising the life and achievements of the late Matthew Brent Hatcher; honoring his memory; and directing distribution.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 45th Legislature (1996)

SENATE CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 61

By: Weedn of the Senate

and

Mitchell of the House

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution praising the life and achievements of the late Matthew Brent Hatcher; honoring his memory; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Matthew Brent Hatcher was born April 6, 1964, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, the son of Doyle and Nancy Hatcher. Brent attended school in Mustang, Oklahoma, graduating from Wayne High School in 1983. Brent enjoyed all sports. He wrestled at Mustang and played football in high school at Wayne. He also played basketball at home with family and friends. Some of his greatest joys were hunting and fishing; and

WHEREAS, Brent moved from Mustang to Wayne in 1979 where he was co-owner with his father of Autorestitution. Brent worked as a carpenter after completing high school, doing carpentry work in his spare time. On June 7, 1988, Brent and Paula Madden were united in marriage at the Wayne Church of Christ where he was a member; and

WHEREAS, Brent was a member of the Oklahoma State Firefighters Association. On April 21, 1996, Brent died from injuries received on his way to fight a fire as a member of the Wayne Rural Fire Department. He died at the age of 32 years at Norman Regional Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Brent Hatcher lost his life as the result of fighting the fires that have ravaged this state during this terrible drought. The State of Oklahoma owes a great debt of gratitude to Brent and

all other firefighters who risked their lives on a daily basis to protect the lives and property of the people of this great state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 45TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature praises the life and achievements of the late Matthew Brent Hatcher.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature honors the memory of Matthew Brent Hatcher.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to his wife, Paula Hatcher, the Oklahoma State Firefighters Association and the Wayne Rural Fire Department.

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